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Right-wing Israeli victors seek broad coalition to continue peace search

nister, called for a coalition of national unity peace hopes and one Israeli MP spoke of "war offered direct peace talks to the Arab states. at the gate".

soon as his election victory was conceded, In the Arab world and the United States, how-Menachem Beigin, Israel's prospective Prime ever, the election result was seen as a blow to

the United States Democratic Perry. Mr. Beigin said the talks should be "without an ex-ternally devised formula", thus

certainy cervised formula; nuc-giving notice to President Carter that he will oppose any United States "suggestions". Asked if he thought his offer

Asked if he thought his offer was feasible, he said there was a very good chance that the Arabs would accept it. They had refused plans put forward by Mr Peres and Mr Yigal Allon but, when they realized that they could not destroy Israeland that it would not withdraw from the received that they could be necessarily to the countried mean than

from the occupied areas, they would accept the need to make

lock cannot be broken.

Mrs Shulamit Aloni, of the Cirizens Rights Movement, gave a blumt warning: "War is at the gate." She attributed the strong showing of Likud and smaller right-wing groups to the fact that "Israelis were becoming "less rational, more nationalistic more mystical, less governed

tic, more mystical, less governed by common sense, and more influenced by money".

Mr Beigin is to hold talks tomorrow with Mr Peres on the

possibility of a broad-based coalition but most Labour Party leaders feel the policies of the

Arab leaders invited to direct talks

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se standings of other parties Democratic Movement Change 14; National Relie Party 12; Democratic Frone Peace and Equality, led by New Communists 6; Torah it 5; Shlomzion 2; Shelli flatto-Sharon 2; Arabs sup-ing Labour 1; Independent rals 1; Citizens Rights emem 1.

Democratic Movement, party led by Professor Yadin which demanded ent internal reforms, gained t of its seats from the our Alignment, which had a loss of 18. The Alignment also lost a few seats direct

hlomzion, a right-wing party ded by General Ariel Sharon. the New Communists also ned two sears each, the factor the expense of the Arab list porting Labour, which was uced from three to one. helli, a leftist party incormber Moked, gained an ra sear. The Toran Front ag to its five sears, but the ependent Liberals lost three of four and the Critical at Movement two out of

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be Voice of Palestine radio

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eli Likud right-wingers to up a "Greater Israel"

arlier, in Geneva, a Pales Liberation Organization O) leader said the Arabs ald now be prepared for a 1 war with Israel Mr Dated



Mr Menachem Beigin, election victor, seen with his wife.

was the popularity with the voters of Mr Samuel Flatto-Sharon, Although he cannor speak Hebrew he won enough support for two seats but was standing as a one member list mainly with the aim of securing parliamentary immunity from extradition to France, where he

extraction to France, where he faces tax evasion charges.
His success was presumably a vote of censure on France for its refusal to extradite to Israel.
Mr Abu Daoud, the Palestinian rerrorist leader. Mr Flano-Sharan's ingulus veces will be disided among other puries.

'alestinian 'fifth war' warning

Our Foreign Staff occupied Arab territories, only be Voice of Palestine radio "freed" them: "To us, this is in Cairo yesterday that the a declaration of war".

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his party's defeat. Liked's executive, which had been con-vened heatily, invited all Zionist perties to join a national unity government. Mr. Beigin said. He savepted only the New Communists because they were "completely subservient to Moscow".

He also called on President is refusal to extradite to Israel Sadar, President Assad and if Abu Daoud, the Palestinian King Husain to meet him entrait leader. Mr. Platto either in Middle East capitals to ided among other parties. The Ceneva, for direct negotiations of Beigin made his declara- for peace, with no prior condi-

efforts."
Al-Boath, the daily newspaper

of Syria's ruding Basth Party, warned Arabs against the danger of "submitting to the delusion of the Geneva Middle

East peace conference

two parties are too far apart to allow this.

Mr Beigin could 'scratch together' a purely right-wing coalkion with the support of the National Religious Party, the National Religious Party, the Torah Front, Shlomzion and perhaps Mr Platto-Sharon. With Likud's 41 this would give the minimum required number of 61 out of the Knesset's 120.

He would clearly be more comfortable with the addition of the 14 Democratic Movement resets, but the stringent condi-

seats, but the stringent condi-tions imposed by Professor Yadin for his participation make Sudanese occapied Arab territories, only bamescus radio described the freed. Them: To us, this is success of the filled block as a deckration of war."

In Cairo, a Foreign Ministry opposed to peace in the Middle source said Egypt rook the view that an Israeli Government led them newspaper Tashrin said: by Mr Beigin could no longer The results of these elections by Mr Beigin could no longer The results of these elections refuse to negotiate with the Caunot be a decisive factor in Palestinian guerrilles. "He the interest of peace efforts, would not dare to say he refuses only one new factor contribution negotiate with Palestinian ing to the sabotage of such terrorists, being himself a efforts." expel Soviet experts -

Khartoum, May 18.—Sudao today expelled all 90 Soviet military experts serving with its Army and closed the military department of the Soviet Embassy. Three aircraft flew them out of Khartoum with their families.

The Kremlin has also been also been also a regime its dislocation.

asked to reduce its diplomatic representation. Relations with Russia bave deteriorated since peace conference an abortive coup in Khartoum Continued on page 8, col 8 last Joly.—Reuter.

Top priority given to finding jobs for young

The reduction of unemplay-

identified votarday as a top political priority. A harch appraisal of future trends by the Manpower Services Commission pointed to the fikeli-bond of 350,000 some people without jobs later this year. It now is certain that in the

coming months the Govern-ment will announce measures to ease the crisis. The commisneeded now; the problem is too urgent to allow time for

Two key measures of the commission, the job-creation programme and the work-experience programme, expire on August 31, and the Government has been awaiting the report before reaching conclusions on what should follow.

what should follow. The signs are that the death-knell of both those measures in their present form has sounded, since they provide only temporary relief and me long-term benefits are Mr Booth, Secretary of State

Mr Booth. Secretary of State tor Employment, is studying the new proposals of the commission, which involve provision of 234,000 job opportunities a year for the young. All those involved in the programme should get a flut-tate weekly allowance of \$13, it says. The cost is put at \$168m 2 year, coming down to a net \$50m after savings in various benefits. peace.
In spire of this brave talk, the general view here is that hones of progress at Geneva or elsewhere, which were never very bright, have been reduced almost to nil by Mr Beigin's victory. Some defeated politicians are talking gloomily of the likelihood of war if the dead-lock cannot be broken.

benefits.

The findings, resulting from the 18-month smyly by a workley-party under the chairman-ship of Mr Geoffrey Holland, head of planning at the commission, suggest various reasons why more of the young are becoming unemployed. Not least of them is the employers' belief that growing numbers of the young lack proficiency in the "three Rs".

The aim of the Holland

The aim of the Holland working party has been to present a coordinated plan to fight memployment. Given the imperiance attached to the report by Mr Booth and the Prime Minister. there is every than the most of the money. chance that most of the propo-sals will be adopted.

The Institute of Careers Officers last night welcomed officers last night welcomed the recommendations as the basis of a permanent coordinated policy, especially in helping those with average and below-average academic qualifications. It wants them to be implemented quickly, "Careers officers expert unemployment affecting teenagers to remain at a comparatively high level for some years", it said. for some years", it said.

Youth Aid, a new pressure group, raised doubts last night young people to the various proposed courses when there might not be jobs at the end. Experience of previous measures, such as job-creation, had shown that afterwards many young people joined the The British Youth Council, which will meast ministers are which will meet ministers on Monday, said the programme did not create real jobs and longer-term employment and industrial issues needed to be

The TUC welcomed the proposals and said it would play an active part in their opera-



In his capacity as electrician, Lord Rosebery tinkering during yesterday's sale.

Garden party assembles to relieve Lord Rosebery of his treasures

Sale Room Correspondent The sun shope from a cloudless sky on to the sprouting auction marquees of Mentmore resterday as the garden party crowd gathered to relieve Lord Rosebery of his treasures. . Outside the tent an anxious

girl rearranged the potted rha-codendrons framing the entrance. Inside Lord Rose-bery, in an old green sweater and grey slacks, was perched on top of scaffolding adjusting the lights. As a professional electrician, he had been com-missioned with his firm, to fix missioned, with his firm, to fix the lighting. Throughout the sale he kept an eye on things, happier among the television cables than in his prestige seat in the front row.

As the orderly crowd ebbed, and flowed among little tables with bright umbrellas on the lawn, or made their way towards the restaurant tent equipped with a 60ft har and an all-day licence, a belicopter ing sturt with a battered Louis

Everything seems to be going swimmingly, with quite emough but not too many people, about a thousand, until the great moment for Lot No As the crowd gazed expect-

antly at the rostrum Mr Peter Wilson, auctioneer and chairman of Sothebys, advanced to the front of the dais, and deprecatingly announced that the microphones were nor working.

"Although Lord Rosebery Is

trying to mend it, be was not responsible for the installa-tion." he added. There was an attempt to bring loudbailer into play, which coused much amusement; but the device was rejected as incapable of relaying the bidding to the back of the crowd. Then, with a series of high-pitched hums and squeals, the recalcinant microphone came

back on the air.

Business got off to a ronth

helicopter took wing for the Batterses helicopter terminal, the company thinned by about a half. There were clearly fewer takers for the afternoon menu: marble busts, garden sculpture, Renaissance bronzes. Overall prices, especially for

nincteer-h-rent re pieces, were very high. But bidders were not point mid: there were several bargains

The big moment of the sale,

as such, came with a marquetry and ormole mounted desk whose

sheer grandeur probably indi-cated that it was created on a

royal commission. Sotheby's had been talking of £300,000 to £300,000 before the sale. But for this one there were no

The morning sale ended at about 2.15 pm, almost an hour behind schedule because of the troublesome microphone. The

Sale prices, page 18

Campaign to revive **Anglo-Catholicism**

attempt to reverse the declining "influence of Auglo Catholicism. which changed the course of church history.

The Bishop of Chichester, Dr Eric Kemp, who was appointed years 420, hes taken on the mantle of leadership as president of the Church Union, the main Anglo-Cutholic organiza-

At a press conference in the Church Union's London head-quarters on Monday. Dr Kemp said he had found general dis-satisfaction with the state of things in most Anglo-Catholic
Summary of report, page 4 church circles, and a desire
Leading article, page 17 that something should be done.

The movement began in Oxford in the mid-nineteenth century, and its most celebrat-A plan of campaign to revive cd member was John Heury the Anglo-Catholic movement in the Church of England is to man, The movement faltared Roman Catholicism, but soon help to emigrate. They were went from strength strength, reviving interest studies of the early church, in ritual, and in the secramental system of worship common to Roman and Orthodox

> churches.
> Many of its ideas attached themselves to the mainstream of Anglicanism, and the present character of the Church of England owes much to them. Throughout the land Holy Communion has become the principal Sunday church service, a trend traceable directly to the Oxford Move-

churches.

Police seize **Soviet** Germans

Moscow, May 18 .- The Soviet police tanight errested eight Soviet Germans who had forced their way into the West Gesfrom the mission.

fore their arrest told reporters they had renounced Soviet citizenship but had been repeatedly refused permission to emigrate to West Germany, left the Embassy after spending 11 hours with consular officials. "We do not feel at home; we want to live among Germin people," one of them had said. The police had waited all day principal Sunday church ce, a trend traceable thy to the Oxford MoveContinued on page 2, col 2

autumn rail fare rise s not ruled out

usport Correspondent further rise in rail fares the autumn was not roled by Mr Peter Parker, chair of British Rail, yesterday. said a decision would be on in the light of events ing the next three months

ment flexibility in its forthing transport White Paperrigid attitude to investment id impale this enterprise", told a London press for nee to introduce the 1976 ual report.

ritish Rail looked to the ernment for a positive attitude to public transport as a commons is a mixture of outle, and a "firm but unquade commitment to the role ignorance. Their attitude to the railways as an indistry this country, and would ineven

ously threaten the railway they caused in the past."

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They caused in the past." he economy thereafter, Bri- it." Rail hoped for perhaps

E20m to E30m a year more to invest.

Meanwhile, he said, "we cannot flinch from the problem of productivity. We have got to get unit costs down. That is our contribution to the gap."

The Prime Minister assured the annual conference of the Transport Salaried Staffs Assortion in the Contribution in Contribution of the Contribution in Contribution of the Contribution of the Contribution in Contribution of the Contribution of he 12! per cent rise in ristion in Great Yarmouth that rail investment had not seen cut, nor did the Government plan that it should be far was better than acced, "the barile against ation is still in the said that subsidies the control of the con

eporting modestly in the said that subsidies wed financial results for his to year as chairman, ker urged the Government terms of increased productive the railways greater in terms of increased productivity, the less will be the need ing transport White Paper.

manifest destiny this country and would iner-ivestment restraint over the hably lead back to the industhree or four years did not trial disruption and unrest that

Improved results, page 5

on pay deals proposed by CBI

Jubilee cash ' mainly from young and old

The Prince of Wales spoke yesterday of middle-sped people's apparent reluctance to contribute to the Oueen's silver jubilee appeal. He said: "The majority of the donations seemed to be either from the young, who were giving their pocket money, something like 7p, or from the old who were giving their pensions"

Queen's jubilee tour, page 5

South Africa is faced with crucial decisions

Big ICI expansion

ICI has announced big expansion plans to give it a bigger share of the European chemicals industry. The company will spend £140m at its complex at Wilton, on Teesside, and is negotiating for a 300-hectare sits in West Germany, where 1500m may be spent . Page 19

Eire search for officer

agreed by 33 nations

the United States and the Sovier Union, signed in Geneva a convention banning "weather warfare", the concept of interfering with the environment for military purposes. Dr Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, said that modification of the environment for hostile purposes could have endangered the whole world Page 8

Mr Callaghan told the conference of the Transport Salaried Staffs Association that

Mr Andrew Young, the American dele-

then come to Rhodesia's support Strike condemned: The 520 electricians on unofficial strike at Port Talbot steel-works have been strongly rebuked by the TUC steel committee 2

Mortgages: Mr Raymond Potter, chairman of the Building Societies Association, says a fall in mortgage interest rate is clearly on the cards in the near future " 2

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Rome: Extremists isolated as students call off their plans to defy a ban on demon-

Gas find hope: British Petroleum was guarded last night over rumours of a major gas field find in the British sector of the North Sea Home News 2, 4, 5 Court

Mr Rees criticizes

plea bargains report

Mr Rees, Home Secretary, has cricitized the findings of a research project conducted with Home Office funds which suggested that a number of barristers had improncily persuaded their clients to change their pleas to guilty. Mr Rees said that the Bor and judges had not been consulted about individual cases in the survey and the researchers had relied on interviews with convicted defendants. interviews with convicted defendants

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director, an accountant

The criminal police to Lyons. Ir Malcolm Partish, a Briton The criminal police in Lyons, I 35, his wife and four where the company is registres including an administrative tered, investigated the case for several months. The firm, established 10 years idial Moquette, have been ago, had developed rapidly and isted. hey face charges of ember region. Mr and Mrs Parrish neat involving 38m francs kept 100 racehorses at their out \$4.5m) of the firm's chateau near Chamilly.

Radical new line

A plan for a radical new approach to pay bargaining has been, approved by the Confederation of British Industry. The document setting out the CBI's proposals suggests setting up a national body to agree on prevailing economic conditions, and that all pay bargaining should take place in the mouths following the Budget. Government figures showed that earnings increased by 1.9 per cent in March bringing an increase since last July of 7.9 per cent Page 19

Crucial Vienna talks

when Mr Vorster meets Vice President Mondale in Vienna today. In return for much needed American support it will be asked to back Western initiatives in Rhodesia and Namibia and prepare to eliminate the worst of apartheid Page 8

The search for the body of Captain Robert Nairac, whose murder has been admitted by the Provisional IRA, has moved to Ravensdale forest, in the Irish Republic, less than 10 miles from where he disappeared. Signs of a struggle, spent cartridges and blood have been found Ulster violence, page 2

Ban on 'weather war

Representatives of 33 nations, including the United States and the Sovier Union,

Pay 'elbow-room'

room after the present phase of pay policy has expired. He said there was "a considerable degree of certainty" that a third phase would not involve further cuts in living standards

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Rhodesian lure alleged gate to the United Nations, accused Rhodesia of making its "hot pursuit" raid into Botswana in order to lure the nationalists into bringing in the Cubans-in the hope that the United States would

to halt Dutch elm disease is to thin out affected trees, the Forestry Commission strations

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Security forces shot at in Ulster poll day violence

From Christopher Walker

Belfast
A shot from a high-velocity men in one of several violent controversy when soldiers inter-incidents in Belfast yesterday vened in an apparent personaas voters went to the polls in local council elections. The elections will provide the first test of public opinion in Northern Ireland for more than two years. The policemen were patrolline near a Protestant primary school being used as a polling

varion in the troubled Suffolk district. The attack was regarded as an amempt by the Provisional IRA to intimidate

The IRA was also thought to have been responsible for an attack in west Belfast when shots were fired at an army catrol. No one was injured.
In the staunchly republican Falls Road district voters had to pass through pickets placed by Provisional IRA sym-pathizers around some polling stations. The pickets were carrying placards demanding political status for republican

prisoners. There were many reports of personation, the particularly Irish voting practice in which the names of dead people are used to cast votes and the names of the living misused by their political rivals to spoil

Most of the complaints came from the predominantly repub-lican districts in west Belfast, where Provisional IRA opposition to electious is widespread. Mr Paddy Devlin, a leading member of the Social Democratic and Labour Party, reported that several people had dis-covered that votes had already been cast in their names when

In the Markets area near the city centre the Army caused tion campaign. An officer became suspicious when three youths were seen going in and out of a polling station. When questioned two gave false names and the third the name

of a dead man.
Two "loyalist" candidates, one of whom was Mr James Stewart, deputy Lord Mayor of Belfast, were involved in a scuffle over possession of a derelict house being used as a

Last night voting boxes were under army and police guard. The counting will start this morning in an election that is expected to have significant effects for the future shape of

Unionist politics
The campaign has been marked by rivalry between two parties that until recently were partners in the defunct loyalist conlition, the Official Unionists, led by Mr Harry West, and the Democratic West, and the Democratic Unionist Party, led by the Rev

Ian Paisley.

Mr Paisley took a large advertisement in vesterday's Belfast News Letter to attack Mr West for his party's opposition to the recent abortive loyalist strike. Mr West described the advertisement as a deceitful smear campaign. If the results show a sizable swing away from the extreme loyalist parties, it is expected that the Government will start a new round of talks aimed at

Building societies' head sees cheaper mortgages soon

By Margaret Stone

Societies Association, vesterday reaffirmed the widely held view that a fall in the mortgage interest rate is likely soon

He told the association's annual meeting at Eastbourge. that a cur is clearly on the in the near future. Mr Potter made a vigorous attack on the movemen's critics, particularly those who believed that the mortgage rate should

be lower.
"I would emphasize", he said, "that building societies are mutual organizations and that the investor, who after all supplies the funds, is at least as worthy of consideration, if not more so, than the borrower, who after all has the benefit of tax reflief on his mortgage."

He argued that, as the build-ing societies are in business to raise money, to lend to bor-rower s to buy houses, the societies would not be fulfilling that object if they could not attract funds because of a lower attract funds because of a lower investment rate.

Another issue referred to by Mr Potter was the rehabilitation of derelict city centres. He said: "Given adequate funds and a continuance of the cooperation between local authorities and building societies, I hope that between local authorities and building societies. I hope that 36 per cent in Birmingham to the try to solve this problem. to try to solve this problem."
But he added that there were "certain houses which for one reason or another, whether it be their condition or planning blight, no responsible lending institution either public or private should encourage people to buy".

By Margaret Stone

Ar Raymond Potter, the outgoing chairman of the Building

Mr Potter defended the building societies against allegations that they lent only to middle and upper income groups buying new or nearly new houses in prosperous sub-

urban areas.

At the meeting, Mr Ralph Stow, managing director of the Cheltenham and Gloucester Building Society, was elected the new chairman of the association, and Mr Leonard Williams, chief general manager of the Nationwide, was elected as deputy chairman.

"Red-lining" charges: Accusa-tions of "red-lining", the delineation of certain inner city areas within which mortgages are automatically refused, are to be raised again at the annual meeting of the Halifax Build-

ing Society next Monday With the backing of Shelter, Mr Ross Midgley, a Halifax investor, will accuse the society of "arbitrary and indefensible discrimination". Shelter says. that the societies as a whole are failing to meet their commit-

ment to fill the gap left by cuts in local authority lending.

It maintains that while in the London suburb of Hillingdon only 6 per cent of applicants nominated by the council are refused mortgages, the rejection

The societies, while insisting that their first duty is to their investors, have consistently denied suggestions that they practise blanket discrimination against properties in older and

poorer neighbourhoods. Business News Diary, page 23 ing friction developed.

Tube bomb 'intended for crowds from City'

The bomb that blasted open an Underground train at West Ham station went off prema-turely and had been intended for the City rush hour, the prosecution said at the bomb trial at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Mr Brian Leary was describing what one of the defen-dants, Adrian Vincent Donnelly, told the police in hospital when he was recovering from a self-inflicted bullet wound in the thest after the bomb explosion at the station on March 15 last year.

The bomb, with a delay device, went off at 4.30 pm. Mr Donnelly told the police: "I must have knocked it. It went off as soon as I squeezed it and must have been a slow leak. It was meant for the

Gity."

He also told the police that the train driver, Mr Joseph Stephen, whom he is accused. murdering, made a grab for him after the explosion and he had to shoor him.

On March 26, in another interriew, Mr Donnelly agreed that he had lived at a flat in Bouham Road, Brixton, and said he had declared war on

England.

Mr Donnelly also said that
Mr Donnelly also said that he believed that his aunt, Mrs Sarah Donnelly, aged 46, of Harleyford Road, Kennington, in the dock with him, had been sentenced to death by the

Earlier Mr Leary referred to interviews Mrs Donnelly had had with the police. She told them she knew norbing about bombings, and added : "Vincent achieving agreement between the communities about a form was the black sheep of the family". She did not know if he was a member of the IRA. Mr Leary said Mrs Don-nelly's home was a "messenger box and meeting place" for men she knew were terrorists engaged in bombing. She assisted Brendan Swords, one of the alleged conspirators,

who escaped to Ireland. For the rest of the day the jury heard Crown counsel read statements from witnesses to the bombing incidents, begin-ning with the one at Oxford Circus Tube station on Friday, May 13,

The station was closed, passengers taken to safety, trains routed non-stop through the station and the bomb placed in locked dustbin cupboard until it could be defused. The trial continues today.

Royal Society of Health officials resign

By John Roper By John Roper
Mr Derrick Wilson, secretary
of the Royal Society of Health,
and Mr Norman Millard,
finance and administration manager, resigned from the

society yesterday. Mr Wilson has been secre-tary since 1973. His predeces-sor held the post for 20 years. Mr Millard joined the society in January, 1975.

They declined to give reasons for their resignation. Mr
Wilson said: "This has happened at short notice. A special meeting of the council resterday accepted the resignations. It is understood that Mr Wilson's is over a difment. He went to the society from a body not run by a council responsible for a voluntary organization. Increas-

Liberal MPs seem happy to continue pact

ment is keeping it in office. Act, a tax-credit system, a faces a suff challenge on haronal minimum wage, an end Saturday. He is likely to tell to social service cuts, alterna-depressed and mutinous party tive technology instead of members in Birmingham that nuclear power, nuclear dis-the pact will not be renewed armament, and help for home owners and small businessmen. next session if the Government slides off the book of firm pay controls.

The Liberal leader still believes that the pact is a success, despite the apparent attitude of the voters. Clearly: he hopes that the next two byelections, in Saffron Walden and probably at Liverpool, Edge Hill, will turn the tide. Liberals think they might

ven win Edge Hill, where Sir Arthur Irvine faces rejection by his local Labour Party. But there are two obstacles for him (and for the Labour

appears; to be moving away from its original phase three idea of a settlement below 10. Government therefore). The action group on the Liberal Council meet on Saturday, and many of them are unhappy because the pact has cost votes.

about it.

negotiation.

per cent.
Senior Liberals are making clear that they bave serious qualms about a "rampantly in-

By David Leigh

There is also a resolution for flationary phase two and if
Political Staff

Mr David Steel, whose mands Liberals should make of see the point of renewing the
the Government They include agreement

They also fear that a stalling

operation is taking place over direct elections to Europe, with some munisters refusing to accept that the pact binds Labour to introduce a Bill in this session.

That is fairly elastic: Liber-

Mr Steel is likely to tell. That is fairly elastic Liber-parry workers that the MPs als and ministers have discussed either extending the session to made the agreement, and the MPs will decide what to do December or cutting it off as early as July, to organize a new legislative programme. But Liberals also want proportional representation written into the Government's Bill from the be-He is also more in favour of a second resolution, presented by the council committee which welcomes the pact and keeps to the Liberals' present shopping basket: devolution, electoral reform, civil liberties, industrial democracy and resource. ginning, to be put to a free vote later.

On devolution, Liberals are delighted with progress made as "an unhappy shotgun mar-in more than a dozen meetings riage".

With ministers and civil ser. They seem quite pleased with industrial democracy and pay Air Steel is expected to see vants. They seem reasonably confident that ministers have been persuaded to split Wales from Scotland in a new Bill; the Prime Minister soon and complain that the Government

Some Welsh Labour opponents of devolution may yet be persuaded to leave a Scottish Bill alone: more significantly, now the Scottish Tory confer-ence in Perth has ended with the virtual crushing of the Tory devolutionists there will be a crescendo of ministerial whispering into their ears.

The Liberal MPs will gather in London next month and decide whether to go on with the pact, described by the shadow Chancellor, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, in London last night

it. If by next mouth devolution and direct electrons can be added to the list of Liberal accomplishments, and if pay policy takes a satisfactory form. plans to give the assembly in 'policy takes a satisfactory form, Edinburgh tax powers are well, the omens appear extremely advanced; and agreement has good for the Liberal bride want been reached to cur British veto ing to continue the marriage, powers over Scottish behaviour. shotgun or not

Attack ove But the Cabinet has not yet agreed to separate Wales; and the Government is still not prepared to disclose a devolution agreement, because it is trying to persuade Labour and Tory MPs to support one. by left win of NEC

Seven left-ving membe the Labour Party Nan Committee (NEC), inch Miss Joan Lestor, this vice-chairman, began a paign last night to reop debate on the Governo economic strategy.

The Prime Minister he peatedly said that there c no change in govern policy, by Miss Lestor an six colleagues have table motion for next week's me of the national executive ing on the Governmen renegotiate the terms of International Monetary loan "in such a way as enable them to reflate economy, and secure a r

to full employment.
Those who have signer motion are: Mr Eric E (Liverpool, Walton), Miss tor (Eton and Slough) for (Eton and Slough).

Norman Arkinson (Hari
Torrenham), Miss Lena
(Camden, Holborn and Sacras South), Mr Ian Afri
(Tower Hamlets, Berhands
and Bow), Miss Joan Mr
(Sheffield, Brightside); mill
Frunt Allam (Salford Mr
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motion.

The same seven MPs rabled a second motion states that the NEC "bel that the time has come fo Government to give notice their EEC partners that can no longer participate i Common Market Agricul Policy, which has caused food prices, putting an burden on to the shoulde the British people

PLP fears state cash may go to National Fro

By Our Pulitical Reporter Fears that the Nat Front might benefit from posed state financial si-political parties and that (fications should be right were expressed at a meeting the Parliamentary Labour I

yesterday. Mr Thomas Urwin (Ho ton-le-Spring), chairman . PLP subcommittee on sid, said such concern been expressed on the evid of recent by-elections and n

cipal elections.
The subcommittee mended that one qualifica for financial assistance, deposits of a party's candid an at least six constituer were saved, should be dele It added that the third of fication, that a party "had of its candidates returned to MP and received as a parfewer than 150,000 vo should be modified. 500,000 votes being a realistic minimum.

Mr Urwin said the Nat Front vote in recent by-tions had ranged from 1.8 cent to 8.2 per cent of t cast. If the party control

Prime Minister concedes 'elbow-room' on pay

By Tim Jones
The Prime Minister yester day conceded that trade union

tainty" that a third phase would not involve another cut in living standards. Delegates representing 45,000

Banging the table in front of firemen were told by their

A study published yesterday

condemns the social contract

for cutting the real incomes of

working people and contends that, while most companies are

making record profits and breaking the pay code, invest-ment is lower than in any year

The study is by Counter In-

formation Services (CIS), a grouping of academics, journa-

lists, trade unionists and other specialists, whose reports offer a radical alternative to the established view. The latest report is particularly critical of

the Labour Government, which it suggests, has failed to uphold

its side of the social contract

CIS says Britain is a low-wage area. While employers and the Government attribute inflation to wage demands, wages are now falling below those in other countries.

CIS says that after a big jump in 1976 reported profits for the first three months of this year show a "year on year" rise of a further 33 per

cent. Unilever, it says, recently conounced an 84 per cent leap to £6.5m in combined United Kingdom and Dutch profits.

agreement.

By Craig Seton

Radical group condemns

the social contract

beg all trade unionists: let us not have productivity agreeday conceded that trade union first have: productivity agreenegotiators must have some ments that are just cosmetic, the pay policy expires, but he said they should not try to give the Government a fig-leaf secure increases which would which I do not want. I do not either require the Government want to deceive people."

The conference of the Fire Brigades Union was urged to conference to those who have the "vehemently oppose" another required markets and the cause more unemployment "ex- Brigades Union was urged to cept for those who have the "vehementy oppose" another industrial muscle to command round of pay restraint, and the pound notes".

Government was warned by the Addressing the conference of leader of the Society of Civil the Transport Salaries Staffs and Public Servants that it Association, in Great Yarmouth, Mr Callaghan said there was a "the like of which we have considerable degree of cernever seen before unless it

restores the former system of pay bargaining.

Foods up 45 per cent to foon, according to the report.

In short: There has been a massive shift of weath into company profits; the burden of taxation has been transferred onto the wages of worlden people; the prices of gas, electricity and transport beverisen enormously, and health and education are facing massive cuts."

CIS says that nearly every

the first three months of 1977 broke the pay code. Some or all of those companies senior

executives received considerable salary increases, and in

many cases chairmen awarded themselves substantial rises.

The report also alleges that companies "are deceiving the public in their profits announce-

ment". In the financial year 1975-76, the notal amount of tax paid by companies was,

den from the public by an

reports and accounts.
CIS says that in the past two

years the Government has given away well over £4,000m; in tax relief to private business; a negligible tax contribution that

was the single most important factor dictating cuts in public spending. Financial assistance

to private manufacturers over two years had been more than £6,300m.

Paying for the Crisis: CIS Report

sive cuts."

ment that it must rancally after its economic policies.

"The only way this country's problems can be solved is by a Labour Government working through socialist measures."

But Mr Rees, Rome Secre-tary, told the conference that there should be no return to free collective bargaining. He free collective bargaming we Next month, delegates to the added: "We must see if we Next month, delegates to the can give negotiators more conference of the 400,000 elbow-room to deal-with some strong National and Local-of the difficulties which two Government Officers Associations of rough justice have thom are likely to press their leaders to withdraw from the ground

president. Mr Enoch Sumph system of comparing Civil ries, to reject a stage-three pay. Service pay with rates for formula and to try with other similar jobs in the private unions to convince the Government of industry had to be ment that it must radically after restored. He said: This Government has never tested the industrial metale of the Civil Service. It would be in their interests not to try."

The union has deferred a decision on whether to support a new pay policy until the Government puts forward specific proposals.

Next month, delegates to the

years of rough justice have tion are likely to press their undoubtedly caused. Isaders to withdraw from the Mr. Gerry Gillman, general social contract on the ground secretary of the Society of Civil that the Government's promises and Public Servants, Said the have not been fulfilled.

TUC condemns unofficial strike at Port Talbot

Cardiff

The TUC steel committee yesterday strongly rebuked the 520 electricians whose unofficial strike has closed the Port Talbot steelworks for seven weeks. The strike had severely damaged the British Steel Corporation's reputation and was a blow against working people the committee said. Meanwhile the BSC said that the strike and market conditions had forced postponement of the recently announced £835m scheme double Port Talbot's output

These developments put the These developments put the electricians uniter greater pressure to give up their long struggle for more recognition and reward for their skills.

But last night the deadlock seemed only to harden. Mr Wyn Beyan, the strike leader, insisted that the men were to these more determined to according to the Treasury, ten times more determined to begligible. But that was hid light on the public by annual. The TUE and BSC state-

Wyn Bran, the strike leader, insisted that the men were now ten times, more determined to ten times, and both the corporation and the TUC are alarmed at the effect the strike leader, poration and the TUC are alarmed at the effect the strike in a general election was taken a pl.P meeting, which was possible to start civil the BSC planded to start c

when they struck on March 24 they made it clear they were digging in for a long dispute. The steel plant closed on April 3 with 6,700 men being laid off. Both the management and the electricians union have told them their cause is hope less. The men's claim would not only be against the pay code but would also have repercussions throughout the steel industry, upsetting delicare pay structures. The management has also said it

The strikers have failed to draw other steel plants into active support of the claim, although they have received donations for their strike fund

will not negotiere with men on unofficial strike.

from other steelworkers.
The BSC has had to import

Weather forecast and recordings



Today

Sun rises: Sun sets: 5.3 am 8.52 pm

An anticyclone over Scandinavia

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: Loudon, central S and central N England, Midlands: Dry, long sunny periods; wind NE moderate; max temp 18°C (64°F).

WEATHER REPORTS VESTERDA
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NE moderate; max temp 17°C NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland: Dry, sunny periods; wind E to SE light or moderate; max temp 14°C (57°F).

moderate; max temp 14°C (57°F). level, 7 proisle of Man, SW Scotland, steady.
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NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, misinly dry, a little rain; wind S, light or moderate; max temp 12°C (54°F).

Sea massages: S. North, Sea Sea passages: S. North. Sea.
Strait of Dover. English Channel
(E): Wind NE, strong, locally gale; sea rough.
Si George's Channel Wind NE, Southsea moderate, locally fresh; sea Sandown Entanton.
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Irish Sea: Wind E or NE, light or moderate; sea smooth. Yesterday

WEATHER REPORTS VESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud, 7, fair;

steady. 1.000 millibars = 29.531c.

All port unions asked to 'black' QE 2

The Queen Elizabeth 2 has been "blacked" in her home port of Southampton because of Cunard's decision to have the ship's annual overhaul carried out in the United States

ried out in the United States in November.

Ship repair workers employed by the Vosper Thornycroft group in Southsampton have sent a delegation of shop stewards to tell the management: "None of us will set foot on the QE2 until further paties."

They are calling on all other unions in the port to follow their example, including dockers, crave drivers, mooring gangs and tugmen.

A mass meeting of all dock workers will be held soon to discuss the blacking of the QE2, which is due in Southampton next Wednesday from New York

New York.
Yearly refits are tradi-tionally carried out by Vosper Thornycroft's ship repair divi-sion but Cunard says its decision but Cunard says its decision was made solely on economic grounds. The ship will be in America at refit time and it will be cheaper to have the liner dry-docked there than to make two Arlantic voyages.

In a statement Mr Gerald Kaufman, Minister of State, Department of Industry, commented: "Cunard have confirmed to me that no criticism whatever is implied of Vosser

whatever is implied of Vosper Thornycroft's work in previous years. Indeed, their praise of the work done in Southampton after the ship had sustained damage last July was unstint-

Students' protest Miss Hilary Eryan, president of Essex University Students' Union, and her welfare officer, Miss Hazel Smith, began a hunger strike yesterday. They say they will ead it when the university drops disciplinary charges against students in-volved in last term's militant p'otest actions over higher trition fees.

Students' president goes back to jail By Our Education Correspondent an injunction barring him from the polytechnic's premfrom the polytechnic's premExplaining why he could not members of the

touville prison last night after a second appearance in the ing. High Court at which he A p mula to end the dispute be-tween him and the college

authorities. As Mr Strouthous, who is 29, was led away by Mr James Dorling, the High Court Tipstaff, about forty students on the public benches at the back of the court hissed and jeered. Mr Justice Kerr-said: "He

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of vestments, crucifixes, can-

dles, and a style of worship

that in its extreme form has been called "more Roman than the Pope".

It led to the rebirth of

monasticism, an Anglican Benedictine abbot is one of the

sponsors of the present call for

renewal, and the foundation of

many parishes in the poorer

parts of cities that had pre-

viously been neglected by the Church of England. Social and

political concern has marked

the movement since its incep-

Dr Kemp said on Monday that

volved in bickering over triv-

ia" in recent years, and needed a fresh vision. The first

step would be a conference theory.

does not leave me any alterna-tive. There is nothing more to be said. Matters will remain as they are. He has had two chances now."

Mr Andrew Strouthous, from the polytechnic's premises. His term of office ends on June 20. He has already been expelled from the polyrechnic for his part in the disruption of a governor's meet-

A peace formula had been refused to accept a peace for worked out by the college mula to end the dispute beof Students, and the National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education. Under it Mr. Strouthous, who is on the national union's execution. utive, would have been allowed to carry out his duties at the polytechnic until his year of office ended, but he would have had access only to stu-

de.: union offices. Access to any other premises hances now."

Brosan, the polytechnic's director. By accepting that, Mr

next spring at Loughborough,

Anglo-Catholicism remains a to be followed by regional con- rediscover the importance of ferences, after that the spon- dogma, in particular the dogma

The traditional opposition to

Anglo-Catholicism has come

from the Evangelical wing of the church, which is in the ascendant at the moment. Anglo-Catholic leaders are anxious not to give the impres-

sion that they want to contest Evangelical influence, and in

fact many of the old quarrels between the two have been

overtaken by events. Dr Kemp

hoped that they could make common cause with the Evan-

Although the church had

absorbed many ideas from the

Anglo-Catholic movement, Dr Kemp said, the price of that had

been a degree of superficiality.

a deeper grasp of sacramental theology; the practice had been followed, without the

Anglo-Catholics 'need fresh vision'

distinct style of churchman-

ship, recognizable for the use

many supporters of the move-ment felt it had been too in-volved in hickering over triv-bad not been accompanied by

Explaining why he could not accept the modified injunction, he told the court: "The order says I can continue with my duries as president, but I cannot use the student union cof-fee bar. I can use only 13

"What is the point of being president of the union when I have to be incarcerated in this way?" After the hearing about two

After the nearing about two hundred students outside the court decided to march to the National Union of Students' headquarters in Holborn and back to the London School of Economics for a rally.

Mr Charles Clarke, president of the National Union of Stu-dents, said last night: "I am would be permitted only on the authority of Dr George reaction. He is doing a funda-Brosan, the polytechnic's director. By accepting that, Mr dents who elected him.

He wanted the church to

of creation and its conse-quence that the created world

was good rather than evil.

Dr Kemp has already stirred controversy by attacking the Good News Bible for its treatment of human nature in the

epistles, deploring a translation that indicated that the Chris-

tian view of man was of an

The fundamentally positive

view of human nature was

Anglo Catholicism's key doc-trine, he said, which led to a

sacramental system within the church and a greater commit-ment to social involvement in

A letter to churchmen sent

"utterly corrupt" being.

the world outside.

picket line

Polish Library is opened

don, yesterday as part of the Polish community's social and

The authorities in Poland failed to supply a copy of the work, so a London publisher prepared an edition. It was a cupping idea, a guide said

Among the other food com-panies, the Imperial Group's food division profits were up by more than half last year; Rank Hovis up 42 per cent to £42m, and Associated British Number 18 (9 Poland Street, London, W1, 60p). Self-employed

More than a thousand members of the National Federation of Self-Employed converged on Westminster yesterday for a mass lobby of MPs. On the way, at Central Hall, Westminster, they questioned Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader; Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs; and Mr Robert Cryer, Under Secretary of State for Industry.

Ministers join

For about 15 minutes today. Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, Mr Mulley, Secretary of State for Defente, and Mr Howell, minister with responsibility for sport, will join members of the Association of Professional Executive, Clerical and Computer Staffs (Apex) picketing Grunwick Film Processing at Willesden, London.

The picket is in protest against Grunwick's refusal to recognize the union. For about 15 minutes today,

A pocket-size version of the political writings of Joseph Courad is among 100,000 volumes on the shelves of the Polish Library, which was opened in Hammersmith, Loncultural centre.

A letter to churchmen sent out this week, signed by Dr Kemp and by the bishops of Woolvich and Truro and the Abbot of Nashdom, calls on the church to "return to its roots and recover the whole aess of its faith" in order to challenge false spiritual and material values confronting society.



Moon rises: Moon sets:
6.12 am 10.0 pm
first quarter: May 26.
Lighting up: 9.22 pm to 4.32 am.
High water: London Bridge,
3.30 am, 7.0m (22.9ft): 3.46 pm,
7.0m (23.1ft), Avonmouth,
8.57 am, 12.5m (40.9ft): 9.4 pm,
12.6m (41.4ft), Dover, 12.33 am,
6.3m (20.6ft): 12.48 pm, 6.3m (20.8ft);
12.48 pm, 6.3m (22.9ft): 8.0 pm, 6.8m (22.9ft):
Liverpool, 12.40 am, 8.8m (28.9ft);
12.56 pm, 8.7m (28.7ft).

extends a ridge across the British Isles: most places dry, with long sumy spells.

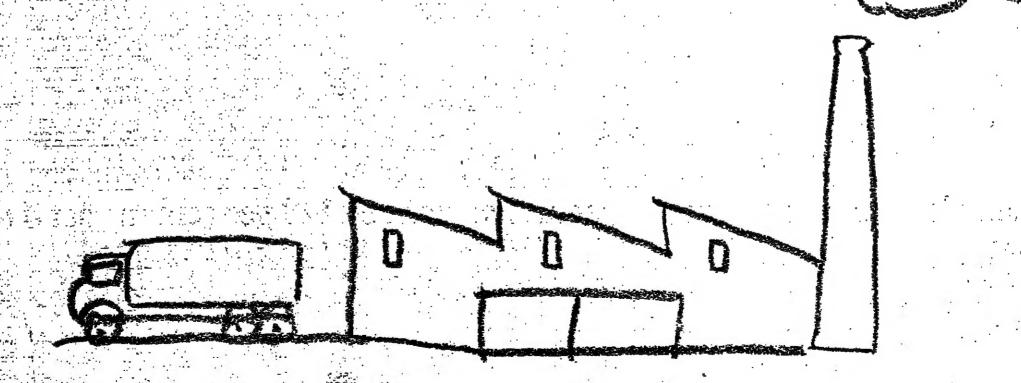
SE and E England, East Anglia, Chamel Islands: Dry, sunny London: Temp: max, 7 am to periods: wind NE fresh; max 7 pm, 18°C (64°F), min. 7 pm, 18°C (64°F), min. 7 pm, 18°C (63°F). Humdity, 7 pm, SW and NW England, S Wales, 42 per cent. Rain, 24 hours to 1 ake District: Dry, sunny; wind 7 pm, mil. San, 24 hours to 7 pm,

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Scientists unable to satisfy doubters about nuclear safety

Scientists from the Atomic Energy Authority yesterday attempted to assuage public fears and the doubts of the scientific community about the safety of second-generation nuclear power at the annual conference of the Institution of Professional Civil Servants, at Scarborough.

The institution, which repre-sents 100,000 officials in the scientific, technical and professional grades of the Civil Service, has taken upon itself the duty of providing a public lead on the nuclear debate. Its membership embraces the full range of opinion among government

Mr Denix Logsdail, a princi-pal scientific officer researching methods of reprocessing nuclear fuel for the Atomic Energy Authority at Harwell, said work was in progress on the disposal of nuclear waste without hazard. He gave a warning against judging future tech-uology by the standards of the

The dangers of proliferation could be avoided if reprocessing was limited to "centres of ex-cellence" such as Windscale, under close international inspec-

Replying to fears that terro-rists might use waste to con-struct nuclear weapons. Mr Logsdail said it would not be easy to steal plutonium or to convert it loto a bomb. "It is to nuclear use waste to construct muclear weapons. Mr Logsdail said it would not be easy to steal physonium or to convert it ioto a bomb. "It is incredible that any self-respecting society should abandon nuclear power through surrendering to threats as yet unmade from terrorist groups", he said. Mr Rodney Fordham, a principal professional and technology officer working on the after of nuclear reactors at curcheth. Lancashire, said that only nuclear power could guarantee the continuation of prefers the incredible that any self-respect-ing society should abandon nuclear power through surrendering to threats as yet unmade from terrorist groups", he said. Mr Rodney Fordham, a prin-cipal professional and techno-logy officer working on the safety of nuclear reactors at Culcheth. Lancashire, said that only nuclear power could guarantee the continuation of pre-sent surredards of life beyond the 1990s. The nuclear option would not be available to a govern-ment unless the long-term development of the nuclear iodustry was undertaken immediately.

Woof, a senior sciencific officer with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries in Scotland said he was not convinced that nuclear debris could be stored safely anywhere on the planet. The consequences of taking a wrong decision would be infin-

itely worse than any future

energy shortage. The discussion focused on the 1990s, when North Sea oil would be depleted. Would there grandchildren, the conference was asked, "sit shivering in the dark, cursing us for wasting fossil fuel and not giving them or would they regret the deci-sion to build the fast-breeder

reactor and the development of a "plutonium economy"? The debate proved inconclu-sive. Dr John Sargent, a botanist with the Agricultural Research Council, failed in his attempt to overturn the institution's policy of seeking "a major and expanding role for nuclear

power".

But the Flowers report, published last September by the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution, had the effect of softening the institution's earlier line on nuclear energy. For its executive committee Miss Margaret Platt, assistan general secretary, recommended a cautious step-by-step approach to nuclear fuel reprocessing and fast-breeder reactors, urging the

Helicopter pilots' strike halts airport services

From Our Own Correspondent

All scheduled flights from Aberdeen airport were stopped resterday as Bristow helicopter pilots widened their strike action. Firemen and apronworkers were asked not to cross the pilots picket line and about 2.000 passengers had to use alternative transport or defer

The strike, now in its fifth week, is over a dismissal of a Bristow pilot who refused to accept a foreign posting. All British Airways helicopter flights between Aberdeen and British Airways helicopter except for two trains carrying flights between Aberdeen and the North Sea oilfields were reported to be grounded yesterday, except for two trains carrying jet fuel for the RAF and diesel for British Rail. BP said operations at the refinery had not been impaired.

of the British Air Line Pilots Association (Balpa), refused to cross the picket line. Last night the strike commit-

tee said the airport would be operating normally from today but similar action would be con-sidered if there was no move-ment towards an honourable settlement to the dispute in the next few days.

Picketing of the Bristow base

at Aberdeen and of the BP refinery at Grangemouth will continue today. The strikers said railway traffic from the refinery was halted yesterday,

£11,700 award in Basle

victims of the Basle air crash, which killed 77 women from four Somerset villages in 1973, was at arded £11,700 damages at - private High Court bearing in London yesterday. The claim, by Mr Harry Heritage, aged 53, of Croft End, Cheddar, against Invicta International Airlines, is seen as a test case for other relatives seeking compensation. The crash also killed 17 men.

Under an international agreement, relatives of people killed in air crashes are automatically

entitled to up to £11,700 without having to prove negligence. Yesterday's bearing means that people claiming up to that limit will not be precluded from trying to establish claims for higher sums. About twenty people are seeking more than £11,700.

Mr Heritage's wife was one of the women from the villages of Axbridge, Cheddar, Congresbury and Wrighton who paid £16.50 each for a one-day shopping trip to Switzerland on an Invicta charter flight organized by the Ladies' Guild of Axbridge. Their Vanguard aircraft hit a mountain during hit a mountain during a

Nine million elm trees dead, dying or infected

Commission regards Dutch elm disease as the greatest threat to the British landscape. As the first flush of spring greenery comes to elms throughout Britain local authorities will be counting the latest toll of silent devastation caused by the

Of the 22 million eins in Britain nine million are now dead, dving or infected. Fewer dead, dving or infected. Fewer than two million of the dead trees have been felled, chiefly because of the sweeping progress of the disease's aggressive form which in a short space in the timescale of woodlend can turn a graceful elm into a crippled skeleton.

The most effective answer to hait the blight is "sanitation felling", and in the North this policy of thinning out the threes or isolating them has shown or isolating them has snown signs of success. But in southern England in particular it is feared that the tell-take signs will soon show on yet more trees; the lefless branches or premature yellowing of foliage.

diseased trees the commission is to make spot checks on timber vards handling hardwoods. It is an offence carrying a £100 penalty to move infected trees with the bank still on them.

In various parts of the country foresters meet regularly to discuss new control policies, but too often all that can be done is to wait and see how far the disease has spread. In the north of England conto the norm of England con-trol has had some success for there was scarcely any further spread of the disease there last year. The public was helpful in reporting individual diseased trees to the local authorities.

Similar action has helped to keep elms in East Sussex fairly free, even though there were areas of high concentration in neighbouring counties. Glasgow and Greater Manchester also managed to hold the disease, and Norfolk has so far been reported almost clear.

Other areas of England where shins grow in dense conwhere eims grow in dense con-centration have been less for-tunare. The aggressive eim bark beetle attacked trees in a swathe of countryside from near Land's End to Lancashire in the west and to mid-Northumberland in the east.

The spread is reported as erratic but the Home Counties have been badly affected. Nearly half the 500,000 elms in Oxfordshire are dead. Of Berkshire's 597,000 elms, 158,000 are long dead and 265,000 are dying. Of the 324,000 elms in Hertfordshire, 151,000 are dying and 57,000 elms. 151,000 are dying and 62,000 are dead. Surrey has lost four fitchs of its elems.

In Scotland the campaign to save the trees is most vigorous in the urban areas. The elm forms a popular landmark in many parklands. The wych elm is the main Scottish species and has proved more resistent to

Mountainous countryside, a cooler chimate and the lower density of blus north of the border have also helped to re-duce the spread. The Forestry Commission calculates the num-ber of diseased trees in Scotland is about 500 out of a total of two million.

Even so the commission re-The agressive strain of beetle has been found in a broad arc of country from Dundee through Perth, Stirling, Falkirk and Dunfermline to Edinburgh Affected regions are Tayside, Central, Lothian and Fife. Isolated outbreaks have occurred at several points in Strathclyde and in the borders.

The commission believes that it is unrealistic to hope that Duth elm disease can be eradicated from an area in which it has become well established. The only practical approach to control is one that seeks to contain the disease and walkerstea affects. and reduces the effects.



Sir Adrian Boult, who was instrumental in the rediscovery of Elgar's only ballet score, attending rehearsals for the opening of The Sanguine Fan at the London Coliseum on Monday. Studying the music with him is Miss Beryl Grey, artistic director of the London Festival Ballet. To stop the movement of

Some kidney patients over 45 'not treated'

Kidney patients are some patients times too old for treatment at question 45, because of lack of medical does comresources, a doctor said yester did not day. He estimated that the heads of hospital renal units very frequently".

Dr Anthony Eisinger, director of the unit at St Helier Hospital, Carshakon, Surrey, was commenting on a complaint from the British Kidney Patients' Association to Mr Moyle, Minister of State for Health, that a woman aged 57 died there last week after doctors had withdrawn her treatment because the bed was

Dr Eisinger, who was in charge of the case, denied that the need for the bed was a factor in the decision. It was thought, after much heart searching, that further treatment was not in her best interests. Kidney units opera-ted a "cut-off" point based on age. Because of a shortage of resources, some patients had to be considered too old

The woman in question, Mrs Eileen Rokowski, of New Addington, was not suitable for a transplant. The alternative was dialysis with an artificial kidney machine at home. When

£5m to improve MPs to give evidence for derelict land in Lothian

The Lothian skyline will be

a scheme announced yesterday. The Scottish Development Agency is to spend nearly £5m on rehabilitating a thousand acres of derelict industrial land in the region. During the next five years,

skilled manual jobs.

2. Most employers look for a greater willingness and a better attitude to work from poing people. Those who turn young people down do so because of attitude/personality, appearance/manners, and inadequate knowledge of the "three R's".

3. Most unemployed young people are actively seeking jobs: 44 per cent of those interviewed had applied for more than six jobs and very few had refused an offer.

4. The survey of unemployed

question of available resources does come into it, although it did not really come into this

"Distysis is not a bed roses; it is very difficult and I have had numerous cases where have put patients on dialysis and regretted it."

Doctors had to be sure that the quality of life afterwards would be worth suffering the

In Mrs Rokowski's case he and all his colleagues agreed that it was not in the best continue.

One kidney unit had a cut-off point at 45; "anybody above that age is not offered treat-ment because of lack of.

In his own unit the cut-off line was " smudged ", but " we think; extremely bard before accepting. nyone above 60". Mrs. Elizabeth Ward, of the

British Kidney Patients' Associa-tion, said of Mrs Rokowski.: "She was 57, but was too old to live because there are not enough resources to treat patients with artificial kidneys or to transplant them. Four thousand patients a year die in this way, and the blame should go where it lies:

By Christopher Warmen Local Government Correspondent Britain's inner urbain areas,

which the Government is tom-mitted to help, will be pena-lized next year if the proposed rate-support grant is implemented, the Association of Metropolitao Authorities has warned the Government In a letter to Mr Shore,

Proposed rate grant

Secretary of State for the Environment, Sir Robert Thomas, repring chairman in the Association has proviessed against the rules laid down for next year's settlement, and urged Mr Shore to reconsider the matter. The argument is mainly about the local govern-ment expenditure base to be used when deciding the distri-bution of the great. Mr Shore has decided to use the provisional toral spending for 1976-77 instead of the estimated

expenditure for 1977-78. That figure, which will be two years out of date when the grant for 1978-79 is paid, is likely to favour the non-metro-politan areas at the expense of the inner urban areas because important transfer of

displeases cities The association said that the inner urba pareas had suffered in past yeads while the shires had benefited. It believed that nid figures as the expenditure hase was necessary for the revival of the neglected urban

Sir Robert said the use of old figures as the expenditude base, and continued "damp, ing", or averaging out of the distributed grant, caused "the disadvantage to the metropolitan areas" to become "very considerable indeed."

that the main way of helping the urban areas was through the needs element of rate sup-port gram. "But in hardly seems fair then to choose a-base for the distribution of that needs element which can only operate against the urban gress."

into the base for calculation of the distribution of the rate sup-port grant, the very needs of those areas reflected in that expenditure were being expenditure were being ignored in the distribution, Sir Robert added. This seems to be the opposite of what you are claiming in your statement on aid to urban areas."

Articled clerks

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a living wage '
By Our Legal Correspondent

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By a Staff Reporter Lord Shawcross, QC, the

The association had wel-Rate rise 'migh kill Welsh Rugby Union ' Fears that the Welsh Ru Union might be forced out

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cerday.

Mr Kenneth Harris,
union's treasurer for 25 yes
told the court that the decis to raise the ratable value Cardiff Arms Park from 18, to £26,000 would force union out of Cardiff and m Mr Colin Ryland, repres

ing the union, described basis on which the rates been calculated as "absolv absurd". Comparing the A Park rates with Twickent Mr Ryland said the Eng. an 80,000 capacity and which substantial concess Mr Ryland said that for

existence were raised at valuation court in Cardiff

"This means the end of WRU. By the time the buing is finished the rate but will be too great to bear"

Mr Harris said the rate c might result in Welsh inte tional matches being player Swansea or Newport. "Our come in that case would wholly insufficient. At stage, I should prefer to up ", he said. 420 - including

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Footballer dies

Mr Tony Aveyard, aged. 2. footballer with the Scarboro team, died vesterday, two
after receiving a head in
during a match agains Bos

air crash test case The widower of one of the

crew. Invicta consented to the

for some law centres By Our Legal Correspondent

Financial crisis

Neighbourhood law centres relying on funds from the Lord Chancellor's Department are facing a financial crisis and the possibility of having to reduce significantly the services they offer clients.

Legal workers representing seven centres, and one legal advice centre, lobbied MPs yesterday, saying that the Govern-ment had agreed to provide only £200,000 of the £250,000 conclusions. needed to sustain services at last year's level.

The law centres affected are. Holloway and Tower Hamlets (all in London), Adamsdown (Cardiff), Saltley (Birmingham) and Brighton. Most other law centres are financed mainly by

BBC tries to stop cup disruption

A High Court judge is expected to rule today on a BBC application for an injunction preventing the Association of Broadcasting and Alkied Staffs taking action to stop the tele-vision relay to South Africa of Saturday's FA Cup Pinal

The BBC is seeking to retaking industrial action in Thirty-six countries, in addition to South Africa, are due to re-ceive the BBC transmission, almost half of them by the same extellite as that carrying the South African relay.

The Manpower Services Commission yesterday pub-lished the findings of a thorough study of unemployment among young people, conducted by a working party that included representatives of the CBI, TUC, the careers service and government department as well as the careers. ments, as well as the various arms of the commission. The following is a summary of the

There has been a great deal of concern at the deterioration in the employment prospects of school leavers and young people generally. The number of leavers and young people unemployed has risen, sharply during the last two years.

years.
There is a good deal of scattered There is a good deal of scattered and anecdotal evidence that employers have been curring back on their imake of young people, at least in part out of preference for older workers. Many of those actively conserved with young people in the kabour market take this view. One of £e! issues is whether the problem of unemployment among young people is a structural one of declining job opportunities and mismatch between the supply of and demand for isbour, or whether it is a cyclical phenomenon, caused by the existing high level of unemployment generally, and is therefore likely to diminish quickly as unemployment falls. The level of yough memployment must, however, he seen along with the qualicative aspects of the problem. Many young people who do not get jobs lack appropriate basic skills. This, no less than the level of unemployment, is our concern.

About a fill of young people.

About a third of young people anour a mird of young people are employed in manufacturing, but significant numbers are employed in construction, distribution (especially girls) and miscellaneous services. Some 25 per cent of young

people entered apprenticeships, about 20 per cent cierical occupations, and about a third went into "other employment" which effectively means a job with little or no training.

The main features of the general trend in unemployment of young people since 1971 are:

1. Unemployment appears

people since 1971 are:

1. Unemployment among young people (16-17-year-olds) rose by 120 per cent between January, 1972 and January, 1977, compared with a rise of 45 per cent among the working population as a whole. 2. The number of young people (under 20s) registered as unemployed with the careers service at the March count has risen from 21,000 in March, 1976 and to 73,000 in March, 1977.

March, 1977.

3. Unemployment for young people (16-17-year-olds) has increased as a proportion of total unemployment from 5.4 per cent in January, 1971, to 9 per cent in January, 1977. These percentages are based on careers service figures and exclude those registered with ESA: inclusion of the ESA registrants would worsen the comparison.

than boys. Unemployment of airls (16-17-year-olds) as a proportion of total youth unemployment (16-17-year-olds) rose from 35 per cent in January, 1970, to 49 per cent in January, 1977.

Young people have also experienced a sharp increase in the duration of unemployment. Normally young people do not stay on the uttemployment register for as long

very few had refused an offer.

4. The survey of unemployed young people indicates a high level of unemployment among other members of their households: 14 per cent of unemployed young people reported that their fathers were also unemployed: 22 per cent that brothers or sisters were unemployed; and 19 per cent were living in households where no one was in full-time employment.

5. A majority of unemployed young people were prepared to return to full-time education in order to get a qualification that would help them to get a job.

To summarize the problem of youth memployment is serious and has been worsening; it is difficult to say how far the problem is 5. Unemployment among special groups has also increased substin-tially. For example, the number of unemployed 16 and 17 year old Commonwealth immigrants (first has been worsening; it is difficult to say how far the problem is genuinely structural and whether it would disappear as a national, as opposed to localized problem, if unemployment generally were to employment prospects a cyclical fall rapidly; young people with low decline will take place in the carly qualifications are the most valuer, able.

The number of young people with low decline will take place in the carly qualifications are the most valuer. The number of young people are entering the labour market is expected to rise each year until 1981; 50,000 more young people are expected to enter the labour market is likely to be an increasing number of 17, and 18, year olds since more people are remaining in

as other age groups.

For Great Britain as a whole memployment among young people was 8.8 per cent of total unemployment in January, 1977. The main results of surveys of

From Our Own Correspondent Ediaburgh

employers, young people and unemployed young people were:

1. About half the employers interviewed believe that the califier of young people has deteriorated over the past five years in terms of motivation and basic education.

After 1981 the numbers of young people entering the labour market may decline because of the fall in the population in this age group. However, for at least the next five years there will be more young people seeking jobs each year and people seeking job

only slowly.

improved and reshaped under

During the next five years, Lothian Regional Council, acting for the agency, will carry out 24 schemes to remove the scars of old industry and turn land sterilized by mining spoil into sites for bousing and industry, agriculture and forestry, recreation and leigure. recreation and leisure.

The first contract will be to reshape a 28-acre colliery spoil reshape a 28-acre colliery spoil heap sitting on the skyline at Easthouses. An old and ugly railway line will be filled in, a wooded common established, and space created for small industrial development. At least 23 other spoil heaps will be remodelled or erased.

dismissed columnist By a Staff Reporter was acceptable. It had become the the state at a London industrial tribunal point where it was no longer

or a resumed bearing of a Fleet Street columnist's claim that he was unfairly dismissed by the Financial Times.

The case was heard for three days earlier this month. The claim is being made by Mr C. H. Gordon Tether, aged 64, of Worplesdon, Surrey, who wrote the Lombard column in the Financial Times for 21 years until he was dismissed in September. He is seeking reinstatement.

When the hearing resumes on a date to be fixed Mr Terher intends to call several MPs and other people in public life to give evidence. Mrs Hart, Minister for Overseas Development, has already given evidence for

When the hearing began, Mr Thomas Morison, for the news-paper, said that towards the end of Mr Tether's employment his performance had deteriorated to a point beyond what ing".

Is but not going on into higher education.

After 1981 the numbers of voting people entering the labour market may decline because of the fall in the population in this age group. However, for at least the next five years there will be more young people seeking jobs each year and they will be competing for those jobs with an increasing number of older workers. (particularly married women). Whether unemployment among young people is a structural or cyclical phehomenon, there will be relatively little improvement if total unemployment remains high or fails only slowly.

Only slowly.

Demand for unskilled and unqualified workers will continue to

decline.
Structural changes will affect several industries. Steel, shipbuild-

several industries, sues, snipolato-ing, textiles, releccommunications equipment, heavy engineering and vehicles are among the industries badly affected by recessionary or structural trends, and reductions in employment may be anticipated.

If this view of general employment prospects is correct, what are the likely levels of unemploy-ment for young people over the next five years? The key influence

on youth unemployment is the level of rotal unemployment, and

we therefore took three different views of the future time-path of

Projection A assumes that there

ments of a quality newspaper. He said Mr Tether felt he had complete freedom to write what he liked, about what he liked and how he liked, and had asserted that the freedom of the press was at the heart of his right as a journalist.

right as a journess. The editor field asserted, on the other hand, that whatever freedom Mr Tether might have over the content, the decision to use or not to use a piece by him, as written or aftered, remained with the editor.

Mrs Hart, in her evidence for Mr Tether, told the tribunal the had been a regular reader.

Mr Terher, sold the tribunal she had been a regular reader mid-1960s. She had not noticed any change in the articles in recent years and a suggestion that they had deteriorated was "pretty fair nonsense".

Mr Terher's work showed a "deep, underlying knowledge". The article were not "hectoring".

The group, in its evidence to the Royal Commission on Legal Services, has called for the

Unemployment among young people has risen by 120 per cent in past five years

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the of those schemes had no opportunity available to them.

Every scheme has been introduced on a temporary bar's. This has inhibited employers and others, such as collectes of further education, from making the provision they could make, and would like to make, if they could be sore that there was some commitment for at least two or three years ahead.

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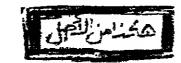
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shown that more than half of the valuation is £4,500. clerks in London, and more than four fifths outside, received to take valuation of the car starting salaries of less than of the buildings. £25 a week.

The Associated Members (articled clerks) Group of the Law Society, which conducted.

Law Society, which conducted the survey, says that £10 a week should be added to those figures to take into eccount rises since the survey was conducted, in late 1975. But, it addes that clerks are still scarcely paid a living wage, and many have to be financially assisted by parents, should be conducted. assisted by parents, spouses or part-time jobs.

drawing up of a national pay-scale. It also wants an independent legal training board to be responsible for the education and training of solicitors.



hawero HOMENEWS ttack on Rail fare rises will trie depend on inflation tyle level, chairman says

ing results and cut state spo-Government payments to British port despite recession and Rall tilder the terms of the inflation last year. Mr Peter annual contract may be represented the subsidy per head annual report as chairman. But will increa

a calculated cost in terms of the future". The obligations imposed on the railways in 1974 are increas-

from the last fare rise in March-to the end of the year traffic to rose by 6 per cent and that distrend is continuing in 1977, the despite a further fare rise in

On the prospect of higher fares this autumn, Mr Parker emains slightly equivocal. The fannary increase should take are of inflation until the urumn, he says, and having aised fares to their proper narket levels the board hopes hat further rises will be no rester than inflation, except where competitive quality justi-

taes more.

To the extent that inflation is held at the level prelicted by the Government and

heart of the fare issue, Mr. surplus of £5,000 compared with:

Parker says. "We remain con- a deficit of £244,000.

vinced that our mode is the Punctuality improved, with \$1 most efficient for bringing per cent of trains on time and 400,000 workers into London 93 per tent within five minutes, each day. And we remain reso. In 760 million passenger jourlute in trying to make cost re- neys nobody was killed in a ductions throughout the opera- train accident.

"That said however, the riddle remains to if there are drastic increases in real terms

the success was short-term, he . Freight traffic increased manginable by 1re tonnes to 175m. Gross feverine from freight rose by 155m to 1307m, and the freight deficit was cut from £66m to £35m.

nion imposed in 1975 and 1976, rose from £1,268m in 1975 to he says, and there is an argent £1,460m, producing an operation need for a coherent policy ing surplus after grants but towards the railways in the before interest of £28m compared with a deficit of £18m.

Passenger traffic dropped 5 in 1975, an improvement of £28m compared with a deficit of £18m in 1975, an improvement of £28m compared with £61m.

Passenger miles after a series ing charges there was a deficit the end of the man March. State support in the support in State support, including pension payments, was cut from £507m in 1975 to £472m, and there will be a further reduction in both passenger and freight subsidies this year.

Productivity, Mr Parker says, 15 "the rick on which we must

Productivity, Mr Parker says, is the rock on which we must build the future of the railways. Manpower on all the board's undertakings fell through a policy of natural wastage, by 8,000 to 252,000, while railway manpower fell by 7,000 to 183,000.

But productivity is more than manpower reduction; it " is de-pendent on utilizing the system ines more.

"To the extent that inflation is held at the level predicted by the Government and to the extent that the market in the playe since nationalization, and on a scale I believe to be unequalled in British industry. Property raised its operating fares in the autumn."

There is no flinching from made £700.000. Shipping referred that London and South duced losses from £5.2m, while Hovertraft made a heart of the fare issue, Mr. surplus of £5,000 compared with:

British Rallways Board Annual Report and Accounts, 1976 (Ste-Report and Accounts, 1976 (Sta-nionery Office, £1).

Hotel profits, page 21 private briefings.

action over

journalist

day discussed the decision by the TUC press office to refuse information to Mr John Hosken, BBC Radio's industrial correspondent because of his decision Journalists for a rival body.
Mr James Prior, Tory spakes man on employment, said: "It would be a disgrate for Mr Hosken to be denied information. We are very worried about this matter, but we feel it should be something the TUC should sort out itself."

The Shadow Cabinet is unlikely to initiate any direct parliamentary action until it learns what ruling Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, gives to his press officers when he returns from Rome next-week.

Rome next week.
Yesterday a press officer at TUC headquarters said that they had decided to "deal normally" with Mr. Hosken until they heard Mr. Murray's view.
Mr. Hosken, who was an NUJ member for 21 years, decided so join the rival Institute of Journalists, which is not affiliated to the TUC, after a disagreement with the NUJ branch at his office. He said yesterday: at his office. He said yesterday:

"I am a committed trade uniquist and always will be. I decided to join the union which

If Mr Murray rules in favour of his press officers' action the issue will raise anow the controversy over press freedom.
The TUC press officers are understood to have cited rule Sa of the TUC rule barring any-one from belonging to the general council who is "privately assisted" in the

Journalists is not affiliated to the TUC, it is a certified made

full support to Mr Hosken.

Mr Murray will have to decide whether any restriction on non-NUJ journalists such as Mr Hosken should extend to TUC press conferences and

Tories upset | Tour untroubled as nationalist activity fails to take place
by TUC The Oueen visits Scots council house

It must be a strange sensaping centre and see your face staring at you from a thousand tea towels, mugs and trays in

shop windows.

It happened to the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh yesterday, when they were clearly determined to show themselves to as many people as possible during a series of walkabours on their jubilee journey through Scotland.

The souvenirs were displayed in the covered shopping centre in Cumbermauld, where thousands of hot and excised children waited for hours to wave their flags, some homemade, some costing 12p, at the

The Duke of Edinburgh stopped for short chats but the Queen was a little more re-

months ago and at first it was seen in Scotland as simply seen in Scotland as simply part of the jubilee celebrations. But the Queen's remarks about unity in a speech this mouth during a jubilee ceremony in Westminster Hall have given it a slightly political flavour. The ceremonial, pageantry, noise and colour to which Glasgow was treated when the Queen arrived there on Tuesday was carefully managed and had 200,000 citizens out on the streets, responding to the request, unsaid but nevertheless there: "Do not forget that I am your Queen as well."

request, unsaid but nevertheless there: "Do not forget that I am your Queen as well."

The Household Cavalry made its first appearance in the city since Oliver Cromwell's day. It was the Queen's express wish that the tour should begin in Glasgow, rather than Edinburgh, since she felt Glasgow rended to be neglected on ceremonial occasions.

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Yesterday passed without trouble despite police fears of possible nationalist activity. The Scottish National Party controls Cumbernauld District Council and feeling for the party is strong there. The day began with a visit to

Govan, where the Queen opened a £380,000 walkway, part of a project to transform derelict land on the Clyde. In a grey housing area, the computers are designed and Queen and the Duke took their assembled.

The Queen visits Scots council house family



The Queen receiving a bouquet yesterday from Wendy Stewart, aged eight, a spina bifida victim, when visiting a new housing estate at Govan, Glas gow.

first walk of the day, stopping to go into a new council house occupied by Mr Albert Currie and his family, all of whom

wete extremely excited.

The entourage proceeded to
Burroughs Machines, Cumbernauld's largest employer, where

The 15-00 from

Manchester

Amsterdam

A further tour on foot fol-lowed lunch, the royal couple visiting Greenfaulds housing that he had never seen so many children in his life. Queen went to Stirling; today she visits Perth and Dundee. Bouquet: While walking in Govan the Queen was presented

The 15-00 from

Heathrow

Amsterdam

with a bouquet of pink and white rosebuds and carnations from Wendy Stewart, aged eight, a spina bifida victim, who is confined to a wheelchair. The Queen asked me how old I was and where I went to school", Wendy said. "She was lovely."

The 18-00 from

Amsterdam

Houston

Police set up new complaints bureau

By Our Crime Correspondent Mr David McNee, who was appointed Commissioner of the detropolitan Police last month. has reorganized procedures for investigating complaints against any of his 22,493 officers.

A new department, the Bureau, will be set up under the control of Mr Colin Woods,

the deputy commissioner.

The A10 department set up by Sir Robert Mark, the former commissioner, to investigate complaints will become one of three branches dealing solely with complaints and discipline The new bureau will start

work on June 1, the day the Government's Police Complaints Board begins adjudicating cases referred to it under the Police

The new changes at Scotland Yard are aimed at speeding present procedures and concentrating all aspects of internal discipline in one

Complaints over railway publicity upheld

The Advertising Standards Authority has upheld com-plaints that British Rail "dwelt unnecessarily on an appeal to fear" in an adver-tisement for Inter-City train

The edvertisement was headed: "Have you considered the effect a long car journey can have on your beart? " and quoted tests on businessmen to compare the heart stresses caused by train and car travel. The authority medical con-sultant accepted the research data, but it was considered that the way in which the research was interpreted was open to criticism. British Rail has since revised its advertising material.

Other complaints upheld included three against the Electricity Council for misleading descriptions of the benefits of off-peak electric central

rural bus needs urged

By Our Transport Correspondent

The provision of minimum levels of service by public transport in rural areas was urged by the National Bus Company yesterday. A White Paper on transport policy is to be published later this month.

With rural bus services de-lining and subsidies rising apidly, the NBC wants a clearer definition by the Gov-ernment and local authorities of level of service needed by rural communities, and a comitment to support them. "We should like to see a

more positive_approach, and irmer commitment to minimum evels of service in the White ", the company said yes

A 120-page study carried out or NBC by a firm of consult-ants found that few local authorities had attempted to specify the transport needs of rural Faced with declining services.

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A local government appeals

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Council post reprieved:

Humberside County Council

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aptured by the Conservatives, esterday reversed a decision to replace the director of limitstration. Mr J. Haydon

who is due to retire soon

as overruled that:

ailed architect

and morality, and the people of the island were dedicated to

The birching issue is due to come before the European Human Rights Court in Strasbourg in the autumn.

Definition of Manx MPs seek visit by judge before birch ruling

day.

He was speaking during a debate in Tynwald, the Manx parliament, which reafficused birth.

denied that the Manx were cruel or sedistic

on the British Government to.
support them at the forthcomlog hearings of the European
Count of Human Rights included the Bishop of Sodor and

both.

The hishop said crime in the Isle of Man had dropped by 10 per cent in 1975 and by a further 2.8 per cent in 1976. "Where else in Europe can you find such statistics?" he asked.

(upper house), voted against the three-point motion reaffirm-ing the retention of "judicial committed by males under the age of 21. It also called on the United Kingdom Governmen to uphold Tynwald policy and secure a reversal of the de claration of the European Human Rights Commission last December their birching was a "degrading" form of punish-

Douglas for crimes of violence. They will try to persuade at least one, of the seven European judges due to rule shortly on of peace, friendship and the valldity of its birching policy to visit the societa king dom before the issue goes "on trial" at Strasbourg, Mr Jack Corrin, the Island's Anorney General, said in Douglas yester day.

its commitment to retain birch ing as a deterrent for crimes of violence. The many speakers who sup-ported retention of birching and voted for a motion calling

Man, the Right Rev Vernon Hersaid that the Isle of Man enjoyed a way of life envied by many other countries. It was built upon a code of justice

'Which?' recommends: Do

It is worth shopping around out a solicitor if the matter is

your own conveyancing

Mr Tom Jackson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers, said yesterday that splitting the Post Office would cost militions. His union

when choosing a solicitor, or straightforward. The conse-vernaps even doing the job quent, savings would average meself, according to this £250 on buying and selling nonth's edition of Which 7, the £13,008 houses, £20 on drawing lonsumer's Association mag up a will, and f100 on an un-laine.

The largest savings would be He said at Bournemouth, where the union is holding its In a survey of 2,800 members The largest savings would be the association a quarter rold possible in handling probate:

Which? that they hought they more than -5800 on a £30,000 conference, that he feared that a leak from the Carter report was true and that a split bad and received poor value for estate noney from solicitors. Half The magazine reports that omplained that they half not only two of 41 members who seen kept informed about the had done their own conveyances.

orogress of their cases. ling found it at all difficult.

Charges for the tasks on The 92 who handled probate which solicitors are most often rook "awazingly variable" charges for the tasts on the 92 who handled probate which solicitors are most often truck "amazingly variable" mployed varied widely One lengths of time. Almost helf nember of the association paid had to take time from their for the conveyancing in jobs to complete the probate olved in selling one house work Members found getting and buying another, after have their own davorces siming been quoted 5300 for the ples but almost a third of took in another solicitors estimates for wills worded them in such a state of the conveyance trains entering two by two: two boards, two chairmen, two principal private secretaries,

The £5m salary bill at the board's London headquarters would be duplicated. There be no communication way that they might not have the intended effect in certain The two industries policy. would grow as far apart as gas

Warning against splitting of postal services

would fight any move to separate postal services from relecommunications.

en recommended.
"Splitting will bring higher prices and communications chaos", he said. It would be like Noah's Ark, with adminis-

Press talks unresolved By Our Labour Staff NUJ members who

Talks aimed at ending a five month journalists dispute at East Midlands Allied Press, Pererborough, broke up inconclusively after three hours last night. The issue concerns the National Union of Journalists and the rival Institute of

The talks were conducted at the TUC headquarters in London under the aegis of Mr william Keys, chairman of the TUC princing todustries com-mittee, who has emerged as the chief monchiator. Another session is planued today.

NUJ members who joined the institute during an industrial dispute in defiance of union rules. The nine, who were not present at last night's talks, have rejected a formula proposed by Mr Keys because they the caught in a fear they will be caught in a 100 per cent membership move by the NUJ if they renounce

Under Mr Keys's peace formula the nine were advised submit themselves to the NUJ's disciplinary procedures. They indicated their wilingness to do so if they received an undertaking that once the issue is resolved they will have the option of leaving the NUJ. Peace now depends on nine

Decree for actor Mr. William James Marlowe. aged 46, the actor, of Park Lane Teddington, London, was gran-ted a decree nisi yesterday against his wife, Catherine, aged 32, the actress

Crossing patrols cut Wiltshire County Council is o stop its remaining 124 lunchime patrols at school crossings from next month as part of its

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Concern over lack of Christian element in religious education

Teachers and many parents were worried and perturbed about the nature and adequacy of the Chrisat every age level in the maintained schools. Lord Blake said when opening a debate on religious

There had been a grave reduction over the past 20 years in the Christian element in religious education in enough schools to give serious cause for worry. Religious education was laid down as obliga-tory by the 1944 Education Act, along with an act of daily collective worship. It was a strange irony of events that one of the few subjects decreed by an Act of Parsliplets decreed by an art of rai-liament to be a part of every school curriculum was in so many schools the weakest, least well taught, and most perfunctorily observed of all.

observed of all.

The Act should not be changed, but implemented in the spirit in which it was intended to be, with reasonable regard for the changes in attitudes during the past 30 years. There was a disturbing amount of evidence that religious amount of evidence that religious adjustice was becoming a Civ. amount of evidence that religious education was becoming a Cinderella subject and that its nature was changing. The Christian content had become less and less, either being crowded out by the study of other faiths or because the periods meant for religious instruction had ceased to have any religious contents.

religious content.

He did not regard the study of other religious as wrong or undestrable, nor was it wrong that children should at the appropriate age learn about humanism or Marxism, but as a part of the study of social and political theory and not as a part of religious education.

The Government should set up an independent inquiry into religious education in the maintained schools and the place of Christianism states and the place of Christianism states and say so. tianity within it. Department of Education The Department of Education and Science should issue a circular to local education authorities declaring that the centrality of Christianity in religious education, together with a study of the Bible, was a clear requirement of the 1944 Act in the spirit if not in the letter of the law

of the law.

What would be a real tragedy
(he said) would be an education
which by apathy, omission or neglect deprived the coming generation of a whole dimension of their western cultural heritage and left them ignorant of one of the most important aspects of buman exis-

The Bishop of Norwich said he saw no difficulty in a positive approach to the reintroduction, in a loving, sensible and balanced way, of the Christian faith much more clearly in schools. It was a freedom that children needed. It was not indoctrination but

that they could make a responsible Lord Beaumont of Whitley (L)

said he was not in favour of the compulsory act of worship in maintained schools nor as the one subject which was required by law to be taught, but it should be taught and taught better and better. Christianity must take precedence because it was part of the country's European heritage. Lord Elton (C) said that it was the ultimate responsibility of the churches and the parents to recruit Christian people of sense and good

the Government, Mr Michael

man on the environment, main-

North, C) had asked the Secretary of State for the Environment for every official ministerial forecast made in the House on the publication date of the review to be fully set out in Hansard.

Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab), indicating he would do so said: The Green Paper on the bousing policy review will be published just as soon as it is ready. (Laughter.)

was for the teachers to till the spiritual soil, for the clergy to sow the seed and for the parents to

There was a crisis of morale among teachers of religious educa-tion. It was a crisis of direction and of confidence. The debate should restore to them a convic-tion that their work for children and society was recognized as being hard, demanding, but vital. Lady Phillips (Lab) said that in an age of changing standards it became more and more important that the values of Christian belief were at least explained and practised in schools. The most dangerous creature in society was not the recolutionary, but the cotton wool person who neither accepted

Viscount Alanbrooke, in a maiden speech, said that a national independent inquiry would help to an understanding of the true state of religious education in primary schools. The situation was particularly critical in the primary sector. Lord Clifford of Chudleigh said the present Godless society was raising a generation of physically healthy people but who were spirit-ual cripples.

The Bishop of Blackburn said the success and the worth of religious education depended not only on the ability to remember facts or on

the ability to remember facts or on the content of the curriculum but on the competence and conviction of the teacher.

Not only was it right that all people should understand the Christian foundation upon which society was built but they should understand the Christian founda-tion upon which the majority of people wished society of the future to develop.

Lord Vaizey (Lab) said that moral standards were inculcated in the home by example and not by pre-cept. Religious education should not become just a course in com-parative religion.

Lord Reddiffe-Maud (Ind) said that his impression was that things had got more difficult for all who believed in any sense in the Christian faith now than 25 years ago. There should be more sympathy for teachers, head teachers and education authorities, even more than in the period immediately after the war. after the war.

after the war.

Far fewer people belong to or attended church, but that was less important than the emphasis in the Annan report that the concern for religion was great and strong. There was no doubt that in many ways things had come the way of those concerned with the religious dimension. Broadcasting was partly responsible, as was the Open University, for the spreading of interest and the catching up of the interest of the young.

Lady Macleod of Borve said that it Lady Macleod of Borve said that it

was not possible for a teacher to impart his knowledge if he had no faith. Those who saw the need for religious education should be rengious education should be encouraged to take an extra course in the subject. Parents and teachers were abrogating their responsibility if they did not supply the means of learning to children.

The housing policy review had not been published yet because the conclusions of all the experts were unpalamble and unacceptable to of waffle?

The housing policy review had not ordinary delay. House builders lished, will be resist the Tory plan to slash council house building and subsidies, which would increase of waffle?

Trade unionists would of waffle?

Mr Shore—The first part of his original question discourages me

original question discourages me from giving too precise an answer and that is why I have carefully couched it in the terms I have. But this has not been an unnecessary delay. On the contrary it shows the importance we attach to getting housing policy right.

If he reflects on two of the major housing White Papers and Acts produced by the Conservative Government in the post-war period, the 1957 Rent Act and 1972 Housing Finance Act, he will conclude that the case against being over hasty is immense.

over hasty is immense.

s soon as it is ready. (Laughter.) Mr Frank Allam (Salford, East, Mr Dmant.—This is an extra- Lab)—When the review is pub-

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Unblended all makes

Scotch Whickly

school managers and governors. They could be of great help to head teachers and through mem the teachers. But they should not be folbed off with the state of the

the school uniform. The Earl of Longford (Lab) said the argument now was that RE was body who would say this country was pluralist. The majority of people wanted their children to be taught RE and the great majority wanted that education to be Chris-

drains, the number of lavatories or

Lord Home of the Hirsel (C) said it was likely that unless Parliament underlined its support for the Education Act, 1944, the trend which was now visible would continue. RE in many schools would first fade and then perish by default. It was up to the teacher to impart knowledge and for the child to thoose.

choose.
Viscount Combernere said most schools only gave RE one to two periods a week to each class on the timerable. That meant few pupils took it at GCE level and that affected the number of pupils studying in at colleges of education. On academic and educational it quest to be accorded tion. On academic and educational grounds it ought to be accorded the same amount of time as history and geography. It was unthinkable that a child should be considered educated without a knowledge of the most powerful and driving force in history.

Lord Glemanara (Lab), formerly Mr Edward Short, said it was all right for peers to lecture teachers but it was different for them in the classroom.

After the book Honest to God was published, teachers were faced with the most radical and invigorating questions by those who wanted to believe and by those who disbelieved but were honest about it.

about it.

For many young people today what was right and what was wrong was a vast area of decision making where when the law did not decide for them they decided themselves on the basis of rational judgment and sometimes on emotion alone, and not on a Christian code.

People today did not know in the sense of being able to refer to a moral ready reckoner as they did in the past as to what was right and wrong and it was there that the teachers were faced with tremendous difficulty. Lord Ritchie-Calder said that this was a secular state because people were contracting our of the reli-gious education system laid down by the Act. That Act was an anach-ronism in which the only two sub-jects imposed by law were religion and physical education.

tion and without the adoption of louble standards. and physical education.

The Duke of Norfolk (C) said that something like 60 per cent of those teaching religious subjects in schools lacked proper qualifications. All teachers in primary schools should be required to follow a study of religion. Lord Platt (Ind) said that the

majority of people no longer sccepted the doctrine of life after death. Collective worship and sectarian schools should be discarded. Having discarded them there should be enthusiastic teaching of the great principles of the Christian way of life on morality and ethics and there should be

Mr Shore-We shall see how unac-

Rise in some

improvements

Mr Reginald Freeson, Minister for Housing and Construction (Brent, East, Lab), said he would consider

East, Lab), said he would consider increasing the cost limits for improvement graves in particular areas to enable essential rehabilitation to proceed. He would also consider the case for increases in the ratable waite limits in areas where ratable values were particularly high.

larly high.

Mr Timothy Sainsbury (Hove, C)—That answer will be profoundly disappointing to many thousands of occupiers of older property. It is over two and a haif years since the limits were last increased and during that time under a socialist government the cost of living and of building has gone up over half.

Mr Freeson said he had to feel the last the limit was the last t

Mr Freeson said he had no immediate plans for a general increase and repeated that in the meantime he was prepared to consider increasing the limits in particular areas to enable essential rehabilitation to proceed.

Mr Rric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) said it was a welcome answer especially if applied to Liverpool, and asked the minister to bring the scheme forward at the

earliest possible moment. It would help in areas where there were thousands of unemployed construc-tion workers.

Mr Freeson—I will consider appli-cations from Liverpool and else-where along the lines I have indi-cated. My answer relates not to the

percentage of grant but the actual cash limits.

Mr Hugh Rossi, an Opposition

spokesman on the environment (Haringey, Hornsey, C)—Can the minister indicate when he will be in a position to make a positive statement on the limits?

Wir Freeson—I said that as from now we will be prepared to consider applications along the lines I have suggested. Requests will come forward. We will consider applications made on the basis of the information put to us and we will make judgments.

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Taking time to get housing policy right

Home Office action on book called 'Negotiated Justice'

Lab) asked whether the Home Secretary had received represen-

of which I have been shown a draft, about late changes of plea by defendants who plead guilty in the Crown Court.

This is not an issue which we had contemplated would be treated.

sub publication of this book. We cases, the authors have had to rely should be most carefully invest-point out to the authors what we almost entirely on the interviews igsted.

Our job to act as censors.

Deed Consulted authors had to rely should be most carefully invest-point out to the authors had with coovicied. I have, therefore, instructed defendants, aided by assessors officials to write to the authors to

tations about the book Negotiated Justice, to be published as a result of research at Birmingham. University commissioned by the Home Office.

In reply, said: The main subject matter into which the Home Office, in 1974, commissioned research by its into which the Home Office, in 1974, commissioned research by its interview, its acquitals at contested crimical trials in the Crown Court.

In reply, I have told the Senate of the Inits of Office grants inwards research will be considered on their merits. The reply is acquitals at contested crimical trials in the Crown Court.

In reply, I have told the Senate of the Bar and the Bar. In reply, I have told the Senate of the Bar and the Bar are seen that as already been made their preliminary report on the main project should reach us next month, and we look forward to receiving it. Any further, applications by the university for Home Court and the Bar. In reply, I have told the Senate of the Bar and the Bar are the Judges (whose views are essential to any essentent of injustice connected assessment of

concern that allegations that there have been miscarriages of Justice should be most carefully invest-

made of the judicial system and the police, and I must make it clear that, therefore, the Home Office gave no encouragement to the preparation of this book.

The good faith in which the authors have come to their conclusions it decreases the control of the conclusions it decreases the control of the conclusions in the control of the c sions is, of course, not in question, but we do not believe that the conclusions are made out. I very much share the Senate's

Nor is there any question of stopping the gram payable, to the university for the main research project. It has, indeed, largely been paid already.

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The authors have told use that the criticisms the main research project of the main rights are enough.
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of mercy.
The Home Office, would, The House Office, Would necessary, be willing to give whe help it could be tracing to onvice defendants whom the authorfound difficult to trace.

Soviet actions do not on present evidence amount to deliberate campaign against Jews

President Carter's address to the United Nations on human rights would affect the whole context of would arrect me winter content of their discussion of these matters with the Soviet Union and other countries, Mr. John Davies, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs, said.

Mr Davies (Knutsford, C) was opening a debate on the Belgrade review conference on the Helsinki Final Act, which, he said, could best look at three separate sections of East-West relationships—humanitarian, commercial, and political and military.

As regards the humanitarian issues President Carter, addressing the United Nations on March 17, had said that no member of the United Nations could claim that the mistreatment of the citizens was solely its own business. solely its own business.

Today of all days (he went on) having been confronted with the awe-inspiring contents of the report by the International Jurists on what has happened in Uganda one cannot but be struck by the appositeness and topicality of President Carter's remarks.

It would be wrong not to take the opportunity to make it abun-dantly clear that we on this side— as I know the Foreign Secretary and his side do—stand beside and behind President Carter's remarks. There was a strong Soviet coun-ter argument that one of the basic principles of the Helsinki con-ference was that intervention in the interest affairs of member states should not be the matter of consideration. The Carter declara-tion had largely answered and rejected that as it affected buman rights. They must think about the rights. They must think about the treatment of people as individuals worldwide without any discrimina

The extension and development of commercial relationships be tween Britzin and western comtween Britain and western countries the Soviet Union and other eastern countries was desirable, but there had to be a balance of judgment. It was necessary to watch and keep carefully under appraisal the wisdom of transferring technology which at of transferring technology which at times might represent such a delib-erate accretion to the capability of the Soviet Union as to represent something of a danger to this

country.

Equally there was cause for concern in the case of credits. It was hardly rational to believe that for a country in Britain's economic circumstances to be raising money on interpolitical markets at high raise. international markets at high rates of interest and then according enormous credits to the Soviet Union at substantially lower rates of interest, was a particularly intel-

it was necessary to consider whether the commercial advantage of this country and the West generally was served by such arrange-

There was no evidence of a wish to assert a basic purpose pursued with relentless determination and with which the West had kind capacity to compete. The West had a fragmented response to this effort. The detonators which could lead to an explosion were widening all the

we have to aspire (be said) to a will to prevail over what is a continually expanding incluration of the western social order. There is an essential need to move to a much better coordinated effort of handling what otherwise to us can be the most grave threat that could exist for ourselves and our children.

Dr David Owen, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (Plymouth, Devonport, Lab), said there was no doubt of the importance of the Belgrade meeting. It would afford an opportunity to assess the progress made along the road charted at Helsinki.

Mr. Event Allann (Salford, East. Mr Frank Allaun (Salford, East, Lab)—How can the Foreign Secre-tary reconcile his support for detente with yesterday's dismaying agreement at Naro to aim at a 3 per cent increase in spending? Will that not deliberately heighten international hostility and cast doubt on the sincerity and the professions of the Naro leaders to accurate agreement? ecure agreement? I warn Dr Owen that this will be

bitterly opposed by Labour MPs and Labour men outside. At a time when the Government are cutting arms expenditure and when negoarms expenditure and when hego-tiations are taking place to stop-this, it is acting in the opposite direction. (Some Labour cheers.) Dr Owen—I have made my views on defence expenditure clear to the House and they remain the same. I believe no one wishes to keep cur-rent levels of defence expenditure up unnecessarily, or to keep it when there is a real chance of reducing it.

But the fact has to be faced that But the fact has to be faced that throughout the last few years there has been a constant increase in the percentage of the gross national product devoted by the Soviet Union and other eastern European countries to defence expenditure. (Conservative cheers.)

I wish I knew the reason for this remarkable increase over the last few years. I am dedicated to trying to get serious progress on disarmement. Certainly, I look to a serious agreement on the strategic arms.

agreement on the strategic arms limitation talks; I look for rear progress on mutuel and befanced force reductions which has taken a ong time.
It is one side of the coin only to

The ideological struggle was the centre of the Soviet Union's purpose. It believed it had a system with which it sought to dominate the system of the West. It sought that domination by every means it could find.

There was no evidence of a wish to compromise but a wish to assert a lastic purpose nursued with the firm intention of the side o using the meeting to make a clear and honest assessment of the progress that had been achieved so far and to do what they could to develop and build on the undertak-

The Government would not be satisfied until all the conditions of the Final Act had been but into effect by all the states which subscribed to it.

In many areas progress had been painfully slow; in some it had been non-existent but there had been some indication of movement and change. The task at Beigrade would be to maintain this momen-tum and increase its tempo.

The Government believed the growth of confidence across the frontiers of the two European salliances on which European security must in the last resort depend, could only gain from application not only of the letter but of the spirit of confidence building spirit of confidence building measures such as the notification of military manoeuvres and the exchange of observers. On humanitarian causes govern-ments had been concerned to press for the implementation of the Act's provisions on family requiri-

cation and marriage cases. Their persistent approaches to the Soviet Union and east European authorities had produced some limited results. Generally, there had not been nearly so much progress as they would have liked.

They would continue to empirate the major to work they are the state of the sta at Beigrade the strong feelings about cases of this kind, and to stress their view that detented

about cases of this kind, and to stress their view that determs would not be credible or com-pleted while families remain divided or young peoples were pre-vented from marriage by political and national frontiers. Progress in resolving cases of this kind was more likely to result from confidential negotiation and discussion. discussion.

discussion.

However, public expressions of feeling and concern had a legit-imate and important role to play because societies must express and defend their values freely, forcefully and openly.

They should take some encouragement that a lerge number of

paign, comparable with events of the 1930s.

Individuals against whom action had been taken had been strong, and courageous, but actions taken against them did not appear to constitute a campaign on a mass scale directed against all Jews.

The individuals he had referred to were not singled out because they were Jews, but because they were activists. Radicalism was part of their tradition and many Jess were activists, and respected for it. I will continue to watch developments with care and concern (he said) and I will not hesitate to speak out if I see any evidence of a deliberate campaign. I do not see such evidence at the moment.

The Government saw Belgrade as

The Government saw Belgrade as the first checkpoint, as one step on a long road. They would be look-ing to the future as well as to the successes or failures of the past.

We must be careful not to be distracted (he said) by new proposals which could either distort the careful belance of the final Act or divert attention from it.

The Final Act must remain the centre and focus of multilateral cooperation throughout Europe. The experience of 35 governments at Belgrade would encourage a further cherkpoint and perhaps that would be at Foreign Minister level. It had come as a surprise to him that he was not able to attend Belgrade. was not able to attend Belgrade, but the Minister of State would be

Preparatory discussions opened in Belgrade on June 15. They should be seen in the right pers-pective. The Final Act land down the purpose to decide on date, duration, agenda and modalities of the main meeting to follow. .They would continue to resist

preparatory meeting was to con-struct the political transwork for the main meeting, and of the understanding and simosphere in which the main meeting was to be There is no reason (he said) why the preparatory discussions should stray into issues of political sub-

Far from weakening and dividing the West, the CSCE has had the

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They should take some encoursgement that a large numbers of jews had been permitted to emigrate from the Seviet Union during the past few years, although the rate had dropped recently.

We must in view of past history (he said) be extremely vigilant but after careful assessment, I do not believe that the present evidence justifies the assertions that the Soviet Union are mounting a deliberate and broad anti-semitic cam-

für Shore—Views are exchanger. The building societies are corscious when they are out of lin with competing monetary rate because if they are out of line or way round they suffer a conside able loss of inflow of funds, and they are out of line the other wathey have a considerable inflowed they will take account of hothese situations in determinity what their policy should be.

Dr. Maurice Miller (Seer Killer). Dr Maurice Miller (East Kilbri-Lab)—The wide discrepancies

Mr Shore—I do not really folk his argument which inevitably in supplementary question is in terse form. I am not sure whe So long as housing fines largely rests on one group people lending money and o group becowing it then interrates have to take account of tinterests of both.

There have been something I 52 changes in minimum lends rate in the past four years. I Government themselves have be offering 3.78 per cent net of tax money which most something I fisom which might otherwise be gone to the building societies this year.

Mr. Shore, We want the building

Mr Shore—We want the build societies: as far as possible encourage a certain stability their lending policy both in terof the quantity of money they havailable to lend and in terms the interest rates they are ching. It is a different considerafrom the inevitably short-bimovements of MLR.

West urged to exercise infinite patience

Mr Store—On rents, I hope that in terms of the housing policy review, when the whole matter is laid before the House, we will be able to put forward proposals which will be seen to be sensible and fair. or Reginald Matching (Sarnet, Chipping Barnet, C) said those who expected a great change in the attitude of Russia were naive; A great nation, remote, withdrawn, and suspicious did not change its policy in a year. The West must exercise infinite patience, and never weary or despair. That must be the fundamental spirit in which the Belgrade negotiations and discussions should be approached.

The Russians would certainly take any chance offered to reduce Britain's influence in any part of the world and Britain should aim to reduce Russian's influence, particularly in the Middle East.

There should be no truce in the war of ideas. They should permit no restraint on their ability to advocate the cause of freedom and democracy. They had to accept the same freedom and right of the Russians to advance what they believed to be the right cause.

Mr Jeremy Thorpe (North Devon, Mr Heseltine (Henley, C)—It is not a case of being over hasty over publishing the review but that the conclusions of all the experts are unpalatable and unacceptable to the Government. That is why the review has not been published. ceptable the conclusions are and, not before too long, just how right or wrong the alleged experts are. He should be patient.

believed to be the right cause.

Mr Jeremy Thorpe (North Devon, L) said he was not prepared to bargain disarmament against any other consideration because it stood alone.

He was chairman of the United Nations Association of this country and he was sickened and appalled by the hypocrisy of the United Nations Human Rights Commission which was not prepared to tackle the problem of the atroclites in the Community country and he was not prepared to tackle the problem of the atroclites in the country and he was not prepared to tackle the problem of the atroclites in Uganda. This was not attacking the United Nations itself but the member states who had falled to live up to the charter.

Mr Julius Silverman (Birmingham, Erdington, Lab) said it was naive was a lessening number of Jews He was chairman of the United Nations Association of this country and he was sickened and appalled by the hypocrisy of the United Nations Human Rights Commission which was not prepared to tackle the problem of the atrochies in Uganda. This was not attacking the United Nations itself but the member states who had failed to live up to the charter.

Mr Julius Silverman (Birmingham, Erdington, Lab) said it was naive

to expect—whatever the words and interpretations of the Final Act— that they were going by their representations to convert the Soviet Union into a liberal democ-Soviet Union into a liberal democracy.

But the Soviet Union was changing. It was becoming an urban society with an advanced system of education and industrialization. Whether the Soviet leaders willed it or not all these matters were likely to produce a change in the political atmosphere of the country. It would not come overnight but it would come.

Mr Isin Sproat (Aberdeen, South, C) said he would be sorry to see too mild a line taken by the Government and their allies at Beigrade because there were many people in the Sovier Union and the other countries of the eastern block who hoped that Brighin would stand up for the ideals of Helsinki.

Mr. Peter Blaker, for the Opposition (Blackpool, South, C), said the objective of detente on the part of Russia was to divest the west of its protective clothing and at the same time reserve to the selves the right to build up their armed forces, support the so-called wars of liberation in the trief world, subvert Western countries and benefit from their trade, technology, grain supplies, and free credit. Russia's success was in large

allowed into universities and 10 years ago there were a lot of Jaws in high places, but not today. They what the Soviet Union said publicly.

Mr Julian Amery (Brighton, Pavillon, C) said in East Africa from the Horn to the South African border only the Kenyan coast was not under Russian influence which was also establishing itself in the west and north coast states as well.

Bastions of western influence with a serious factors in the world situation with Russia in Africa.

The question was (he said) will Helsind lead to the find world war? Belgrade is where the buck war is inevitable if we continue in appease and give ground in the way we do now.

Mr Feter Blaker, for the Opposition (Blackpool, South, C), said the objective of detente on the west of its protective clothing and at the same time reserve to them.

They had taken up a number of was same time reserve to them.

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sometimes asked of us.

The debate was concluded.

Factors in level of mortgage interest

Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of Str. for the Euroroment, said during questions on mortgage interestants that he wished to see quickly as possible the lowest leg of rates consistent with a flow funds to meet the demand a mortgages in the foreseean future.

Mr Robert McCrindle (Brentrot and Ongar, C) had said it was cla that if the building societies h yielded to Coveromon pressurative meaths ago to reduce the lending rates to the level likely prevail after next month, if amount of money available for re-mortgages firs summer would i substantially less than it was no likely to be.

the building societies must keep building societies must keep building societies must keep building borrowers and new borrower less Government pressure on the building societies in the future would be welcome.

Mr Shore (Tower Hamles, Steney and Poplar, L2b)—He is rig in one part—that is there is clear a need for a balance of cousts: ations in the policy on intra-mortgage cates. From whee I gets the idea of the building sec-ties yielding or not yielding Government pressure. I do n

I believe mortgage interest ret ere bound to be, and should be determined by the building soci ries. My wish is to see as quickly, possible the lowest level of rat consistent with a flow of funds meet the demand for mortgages the foresesable future.

Mr. John MacGregor (North)
South, C)—Is he satisfied with it
liaison that does exist betwee
building societies, the monataauthorides and bimself in Order: ensure that the building societ rates do not get too far out : tine? What advice is he given about interest rates over the no-six months?

Lab)—The wide discrepancies a tween general interest rates a mortgage rates, which advers affect many people who want buy a house, indicates this is crary system.

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Mr Michael Heseltine, chief Opisition spokesman on the environment (Henley, C)—The practic of the building societies are finenced by the climate of fix that performance of the Government.

There have been promitting !

Fourth Heathrow terminal inquiry sought

Mr Ronald Bell (Beaconsfield, C)—An Article 4 direction (under the General Development Order) does not necessarily introduce a planning inquiry. It is not necessarily a preliminary to a planning inquiry. Will the Secretary of State use

ship arrangement.

announced by the Government.

Mr Shore (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab)—The parration?

merships will involve local authorities, central government departments and agencies in drawing up and implementing joint programmes of action. Extra help will be available through main programmes and from the enlarged oranges and from the enlarged oranges.

Timofity Raison (Aylesbury, Mr. Timofity

Mir Peter Shore; Secretary of State for the Environment, is eager to hear the views of local authorities. As for the use of money to be allocated under the Government's partnership arrangements for inner cities. As for the use of money to be allocated, that is something on which I would be most anxious to hear the views of the local authorities. He said he was not going to impose on them any precoscelved ideas as to how the money could be best spent.

Mir Andrew MacKay (Birmingham Stechford, C) had asked what were the implications for the local authorities concerned of the partnership arrangements. Tecanty announced by the Government.

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whether it would be expected for him to make or approve a direction to make the BAA's present propo-sal the subject of normal planning control. This would be an essential first step towards any statutory public planning inquiry.

Will the Secretary of State use his inherent authority to order a public inquiry, or his statutory authority, or an Article 4 direction, or in any case make sure that there is a public inquiry into a development of this magnitude which has aroused such strong reservations in all the surrounding areas.

There were calls at question time for the Secretary of State for the Environment to cause a public inquiry to be held into the proposal of the British Ahrports Authority to establish a fourth terminal at Heathrow Airport.

Mr Guy Barnett, Under Secretary for the Environment (Greenwich, Lab), said: In the light of the views being received from the local authorities who have been consulted the Secretary of State (Mr Shore) is urgently considering whether it would be expedient for him to make or approve a direction to make the BAA's present proposal the subject of normal planning control. This would be an essential first step towards any statutory public planning inquiry.

Mr Toby Jessel (Richmond upon

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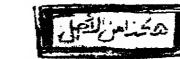
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OVERSEAS

US-Soviet negotiations on arms limitation resume after 'weather warfare' ban is signed

From Alan McGregor Geneva, May 18

Mr Syrus Vance, the United States Secretary of State. and Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, got down today to "a full effort of negotiation" in the strategic arms limitation talks (Salt).

After they had met for almost two and a half hours, Mr Hodding Carter, the Stare Department spokesman, said they had had "a full exchange of views covering in detail various important points ".

"In Moscow (in March), there was a full presentation of position", he added. "Here, as those presentations have been made previously, the exchange can go into more depth about what was understood on each side's position."

The two sides were consider-ing each other's views and will resume meeting at 11 am tomorrow. He was unable yet to predict how long this phase of the discussions might last.

Mr Gromyko earlier had a 60minute meeting with Dr Kurt
Waldhein, the United Nations Secretary-General, in which they concentrated especially on the Middle East and the question of reconvening the General conference. Dr Waldhelm described their talk as "bighly interesting and very important."

Mr Vance and Mr Gromyko were among the representatives ar 33 nations who countries signed the cenvention here ban-ning environmental modifica-

tion techniques for military purposes, the so-called "weather warfare" concept. Although Dr Waldheim, making the most of it, referred to the treaty as a "disarmament agreement" it is more a substitute for real achievement in curbing the present arms

while it was being negotiated here, from 1974 onwards, with the Russians doing much of the pushing, it became clear that at this stage of their development, the wea-pons of "weather war" are a concept of the future rather than practicable immediate possibilities.

An official Canadian survey, never refuted, listed 19 different envisaged techniques, of

which seven (including for, volcanic eruption and hailstorms) were judged either to be wholly dependent on un-manageable weather conditions or purely theoretical.

The only one assessed as satisfactory as a tactical weapon was fog or cloud dispersion to open target areas to visual attack, or vice versa, which is of limited usefulness in an era of computerized missiles. Sustained by their expressions of hope, Mr Vance and Mr Gromkyo went on, after signing an extension to their governments' 1972 bilateral agreement on cooperation in space, to the major problem in the shape of nuclear missile

After the rebuff he experi-

Nato states agree to spend 3 pc more

From Michael Hornsby Brussels May 18

enced in Mioscow in March, Mr Vance was almost excessively guarded in what he was pre-pared to say on arrival this morning: "I do not know whether there will be any progress, Time will tell.... We An annual increase in defence spending of about 3 per cent in real terms should be simed at by all members of Nato in the five-year period starting from 1979, defence ministers that Salt (strategic arms limitation talks) is a long process. declared here today at the conclusion of their regular spring Mr Gromyko's remarks re-

> This commitment came in response to pressure from President Carter for a significant increase in Nato defence budgets to meet what today's statement described as the "steady expansion" and "in-creasingly offensive posture" of Warsaw Pact forces.

Adopting the ministerial guidelines for Nato military authorities over the period 1979-84, the ministers of the 15- member alliance accepted that the 3 per cent increase was necess-ary to correct "adverse trends in the Nato-Warsaw Pact mili-tary balance".

Recent proposals floated unofficially by the Russians have
been on the lines of a modest
reduction, perhaps 10 per cent,
in these ceilings, with accompanying limitation on deploy-Ministers agreed that Nato-countries should "provide full-compensation for the inflation-ary impact of rising pay and ment on the Soviet Backfire bomber and the American Cruise missile, two fairly new items regarded as unbalancing price levels to ensure that planned real increases are achieved". Specific target figures for individual nations the deterrent equation. The five-year term of the existing Sale agreement expires in would be worked out later.

There was acceptance that the 3 per cent target could be only an average for the alliance as a whole. Ministers Vance-Gromyko agenda to be taken up tomorrow is the Arub-Israel confrontation recognized that some countries target for economic, reasons. On the other hand the present force contributions of other countries might "justify a higher level of increase".

These provisos were felt by British officials to have taken satisfactory account of the arguments voiced here by Mr Mulley, the Defence Secretary, who made clear that there could be no question of Britain raising its military spending at all before 1979, and probably only modestly after that.

Mr Harold Brown, American Defence Secretary, whose high-pressure advocacy woose nigo-pressure advocacy played an important role in today's agreement, told a press conference that it was not simply enough to make the extra funds available. They had to be invested in the purchase of new and more flexible

military equipment. The Soviet Union, he said, had been increasing its arms expenditure in real terms by 3 to 4 per cent annually over the past 10 years. In the West. over the same period, the level of real expenditure had certainly not increased and, if anything, had declined.

Our Defence Correspondent writes: British, German and Imlian air chiefs, meeting in London, recommended a second production order of 110 Tornado aircraft to their three governments.

The Commission's proposal is seen as being designed mainly to impress the British who, in the past have often involved. Whatever the effects of such a wing, multi-role combat airwing, multi-role combat air-craft will first replace the Vulcan, Buccaneer and 50-mile fishing zone on the extremist opinion. For the ground that a system of catch quotas could not be enforced properly.

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sion, that direct elections must be accompanied by an "abso-

lute, clear and binding guaran-tee that the European assem-

bly must keep to the letter of the Rome treaty. No decision by it can lead to the transfer of all or part of national sovereignty to an international body.

Signor Emilio Colombo, the

newly elected president of the European Parliament, who was

But I feel the Community should move towards greater integration. Parliaments are not conceived merely to control expenditure. I have a dynamic vision of the European Parliament, not a static one", he added.

Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, welcomed by Dr Bruno Kreisky, the Austrian S Africa playing for high stakes in Vorster-Mondale talks

From Roy Lewis Vienna, May 18

The discussions between the American Vice-President Mondale and Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, which begin here tomorrow and end with a short final session on by both sides to bring their thinking decisively closer on a policy for southern Africa

Their object is the same: to promote peaceful settlements in Rhodesia and Namibia and put a stop to developments which are steadily increasing the oprention or at least influence in

There is no doubt that Mr Mondale, on behalf of President Carrer, wishes to keep South Africa in the West just as much as Mr Vorster—who has acknow-ledged United States leadership of the West, including South Africa—wishes his country to be an integral part of the free world. The problem is not objectives but methods.

On Rhodesia, Mr Mondale needs to know that Mr Vorster is prepared to exert pressure on Mr Ian Smith to cooperate with

British plans for a majority. rule constitution if and when that pressure is needed, just as that pressure is needed, you as it was needed by Dr Kissinger for his initiative of last Sen-tember. That pressure might also be needed to prevent the Rhodesians from aborting British plans by mounting search and destroy missions into Namibie presents greater

difficulties, but Mr Vorster will be able to tell the Vice Presipered to go in postponing or suspending the Turnballe eth-nic-based constitution in favour of national elections as demanded by the United Nations, with Swapo participa-tion, international observers, and with South African troops at least kept out of sight. Mr Vorster has moved a long way since the démarche of the Western ambassadors on Namibia, but he is still expected to stop short of the point at which Swapo could claim any sort of moral victory.

It is presumed that the Vice-President will open up the question of political change in South Africa and phesing out

the main features of apartheid.
But this subject is vast, Mr.
Vorster and Mr. R. R. Botha,
his Foreign Minister, have
much to explain, and American
ignorance of the complexities
is not inconsiderable—so there
can hardly be more than an exchange of views in Vienna.

But the Vice-Precident can Bur the Vice-President can convey President Carter's in-sistence on change if South Africa is to get American sup-port So Mr. Volster has to give sufficient assurances to enable the Western powers to stop penning aftempts in the United Nations to impose sunctions.

The seriousness of the talks is emphasized by the extent to which the Americans have fallen in with Mr Vorster's insistence on confidentiality. There are to be no speeches at the festivitles acranged by Dr Kreisky, the Austrian Chan-cellor, And the more successful the talks are, the less the world is likely to know of their sub-stance for some time.

For Mr Vorster the stakes are very high—the hope of Ameri-can support in exchange for a folerable temps of change which he can carry with white voters in his own constituencies.

Libyans and **Syrians** disagree on Eritrea

Tripoli, May 18

Libya's role of host at this year's conference of Islamic foreign ministers, which entered its third day in Tripoli today, has highlighted Colone Gaddafi's espousal of minority movements but has done little to clarify his support for their

While noticeboards in Tri poli's largest hotels, full of delegates to the 33-nation conference, are covered with photographs of Muslim rebels in southern Thailand and pamphlers issued by Muslim serestingly in the Philippings sionists in the Philippines, the Libyan leader has rold the con-ference that Libya supports the Ethiopian Government in its war against the Eritreans.

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daff the Entreans should give up their struggle because the Emperor Haile Selassie has gone, because 65 per cent of the Ethiopians are Musting and because the present Government of Ethiopia has brought justice and equality.

Other Muslim nations clearly and the colone of the present Other Muslim nations clearly did not agree and Syria, one of only five Arab countries who have sent their foreign minis-ters to Tripoli, was among

Speaking to journalists in the fover of the banner-fronted People's Hall " after the third closed session of the conference today, Mr Abdul Halim Khaddam, the Syrian Foreign Minister, said that Syria still supported the Eritreans because we support all inde-

Ethiopia's marrist Lieutenant-Colonel l Haile-Mariam, spent three days in Tripoli just before the con-ference began, although his visit was not publicized here, and it was his meeting with Colonel Gaddafi that appears to have shored up Libya's support for his Government.

So far as the Libyans are, concerned, the Islamic foreign ministers conference is an important affair for an Arab country with so few friends left among its neighbours. The official Arab Revolution

ary news agency in Tripoli has been pouring our reports of the "international" publicity the "international" publicity accorded to Colonel Gaddafi's speech on Monday, although it is not difficult to identify Libya's sense of hurt pride that Egypt, Sudan and Iran have declined to attend

Reaction to Likud's victory

In Algiers the official

In Washington, President Carter, supprised like everyone else, emphasized that the most important part of the Americanbetween its peoples, not governments. He personally had no concern about his own government's ability to deal with any government in Israel, according to his spokesman.

He looked forward to meeting the Israeli Prime Minister once it was appropriate to "move

The Soviet press recalled with concern the right-wing reputation of the Likud block but stopped short of predicting that its victory would imme-diately worsen the Middle East situation.

situation.

A Tass commentator appeared to leave the door open for positive moves by Likud. He said the Labour Party was defeated because of Israel's problems and added: "The near furne will show what policy will be pursued by the leaders of the Likud block when they come to power."

Tass avoided any direct com-

ment on Mr Beigin, saying only that he had offered to hold

Licences proposed for non-EEC fishermen

A proposal for a comprehen-

sive licensing system for the vessels of non-EEC countries fishing in Community waters was approved here today by the European Commission. It is intended that the system should come into force from July 1, replacing existing interim arrangements.

Under the system, non-EEC countries would be allocated a catch quota and then asked to submit a list of boats they con-sider would be required to take up the quota. The exact number of boats eventually issued with licences could be a matter for

Applicants would be required to supply detailed specifications of all vessels to be licensed, including gross to no age, engine rower, hold capacity, type of fishing gear and processing and navigational equipment on hoard, name, identification latters and numbers, call sign and radio frequency.

All foreign vessels would also be required to make known the species of fish they intended to catch, where and how they planned to catch them and the length of time for which a licence was desired. This in-formation would be given to the commission "through the most expeditious channels available".

In addition, every non-EEC trawler would have to inform

From Our Own Correspondent

Faris, May 18

French politics are not always in dead earnest, clthough it is easier for journalists to laugh at politicians,

than for either to laugh at themselves. Le Quotidien de Paris, which has made a speciality of taking an incisive and fronc view of men and affairs, has published this forecast of the week's developments.

ments:
"The Chirac anticyclone

which hovered over the radical regions has been driven away by a strong reformist wind, following a depression on the ter-

ritory of Beau Paure. As a result, the sun of President Schreiber should shine in all

of them, with, however, occa-

mon programme, numerous dis-turbances and even storms are

expected towards the middle of

the week. There will be serious risk to crops and especially to

pinks.

"Finally, the Elysee should this week remain again above the clouds, in clear skies, in

spite of the repeated announcement of a legislative autumn in advance on the season."

"In the region of the com-

A weather

eye on

politics

Paris, May 18

and location" of its entry and departure from the Community's 200-mile zone, and indicate the quantities of each species of fish in its holds at

While in Community waters, a non-EEC bost would be required to "keep a fishing log book in which, after each haul, the quantities of each species caught, as well as the time and location of such haul and the fishing method used are regis-

At the end of every week Inside the EEC's waters, foreign vessels would have to inform the Commission of the quanti ties of each species of fish each catch, and the weight of and species involved in any transfer of catches to other

entitled to withdraw the licence of any vessel which did not comply with these provisions. The task of monitoring the fishing activity of non-EEC fleets for breaches of the regulations would fall to member states, which would in turn alert the

in such elections. This will be submitted after the summer

tains a severely restrictive clause which should go a long

way towards meeting the objections of the Gaullists and the Communists to any exten-

sion of the powers of the European Parliament, beyond those laid down in the treaty of Rome.

It states that "any extension of powers of the European Assembly, in whatever form, would be null and void as

regards France if it had not been approved in accordance

with the stipulations of the treaties of Paris and Rome.

and in the conditions provided for by the constitution "

The first Bill, however, con-

Rome rally called off by students

The other main item on the

are merely resuming discus-sions... I have always said

flected the usual professional optimism. The general expec-

tation seems to be that chances

are now better for a modified

version of the provisional Vla-divostok accord reached by President Ford and Mr Brezh-

November, 1974.
This limited the number of missiles and heavy bombers on each side to 2,400, including 1,320 missiles with multiple

independently-targeted

ev, the Soviet leader, in

Rome, May 18 Professor Giulio Carlo Argan, mayor of Rome, today issued an appeal for an end to

ooks in fact to be diminishing. A substantial majority within the various student groups has decided to call off plans for a demonstration tomorrow in deon political rables.

Defiance of this ban last
Friday led to the serious street
fighting in which a girl student
was killed.

planned in the city.

For the first time since the present wave of violence began some three months ago, the extremists in the university have been firmly placed in a

French Cabinet agrees European poll Bill

Paris, May 18

The Cabinet today approved same time it defined French national independent a Bill on direct elections to the European Parliament, which will be submitted to the National Assembly for appro
National Assembly for appro
The Communists affirmed today. Defore the Cabinet decident and the part of the Rome and nothing but the communists affirmed today. Defore the Cabinet decident and the part of the communists affirmed today.

proportional representation on national lists with distribution of leftovers on the basis of the

highest average poll (which gives an edge to the larger parties) is an historic turning

point in French constitutional

development.

Since the estublishment of the Fifth Republic, the majority system with two ballots was substituted for proportional representation in all elections—National, Local and Municipal—in a reaction against the proliferation of parties under the Fourth Republic.

Republic.
Although restricted to Euro-

pean elections, the adoption of proportional representation is bound to strengthen the demand of the smaller parties

also approved today, provides Europe.
for proportional representation The adoption of elections by

This means that such an extension would require both a revision of the treaties, and an amendment of the French constitution, with all the political hazards this impkes.

The Constitutional Council had, on an application by the Government, ruled last demand of the smaller parties demand of the government majority, and of the left, for its extension to national elections. But the Gaullists are radically opposed to any such change.

M Jacques Chirac, the president of the Gaullist Rassemblement, would not comment on the Bills before examining

December that direct elections them in the light of the funda-were constitutional. But at the mental Gaullist insistence on same time it defined French national sovereignty in such

violence in the city. The prospect of further disorders in the immediate future

The changed artitude of the students is regarded as a hope-ful sign. The majority decided last night to ask for the ban to be lifted. If the Ministry of the Interior insists, as presumably it will, on retaining the ban, the students will organize an assembly in the university but will not hold the demonstration

the past, have often justified decision, it would at least serve their demand for an exclusive to show the real strength of

Pressure grows to cancel Amin

harassment and anonymous let-ters threatening assassination if President Amin arrives have put renewed pressure on the Government to refuse entry to the Ugandan leader if he tries to attend next month's Commonwealth conference. .There were also suggestions

yesterday that an "Action Group" had been formed in this country to plan the overthrow of the present regime
The letters threatening to kill President Amin were sent to the High Commissioners for Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania and Zambia in London, as well as to the BBC and Reuters news agency.

Less melodramatic were the

plans announced by the Ugandan Freedom Committee yes-terday. It is approaching hotels in central London to refuse bookings for any Ugandan Govbookings for any Ugandan Government party, and workers at Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted airports are being urged not to handle any aircraft bringing President Amin.

Our Legal - Correspondent writes: Assuming President Amin were to be allowed into Britain, he would be immune from any civil or criminal proceedings against him. Under-

ceedings against him. Under international law, the head of a sovereign state cannot be sued or prosecuted in a foreign country, unless he consents to the waiving of his immunity.

Mr Mandela on European Parliament, who was received yesterday by President Giscard d'Estaing, and is meeting the leaders of all political parties, said today that he felt the ratification of direct-elections should not present any difficulty in France. The directly elected Parliament must work within the framework of its present powers and of the present institutions of the Community. "But I feel the Community should move towards greater prison charges

Johannesburg, May 18. Mr Nelson Mandela, imprisoned President of the banned African National Congress, is facing disciplinary charges in Robben Island prison.

A friend said he had called a warder a "pig". A Prisons Department spokesman said he

was charged under a regulation which covers insolent or disrespeciful conduct. Press reports today said that Mr Mandela's wife, Winnie, who is under restriction, has been moved from Soweto to a house 180 miles away.—Reuter.

Mr Smith accused of plan to involve Cuba

From Nicholas Ashford
Maputo, Mozambique, May 18
Mr Andrew Young, the of the o American representative at the Namibia sharp circumstrated in the Rhodesia's latest "hot pursuit" operation into Botswana was an attempt to bring the United States into the Rhodesian conflict by forcing the nationalists to seek Cubair support.

Speaking at an informal press people "people"

conference after holding talks with Mr. William Eteki Mboumova, secretary general of the Organization of African delibearte attempt on the part of the Smith regime to escalate the conflict and win support for But the Carter Administra-

tion had been telling Mr Smith for many months that the United States would on no acount be drawn in.

acount be drawn in.

Mr Young is to hold talks tomorrow with Mr Robert Mugabe, the Rhodesian nationalist leader. However, Mr Mugabe today made it plain that it will take more than strong words by Mr Young to convince him that the United States really is intent on achieving a peaceful settlement in Rhodesia.

"We want to know exactly

what sort of pressure the United what sort of pressure the United States is prepared to apply on Rhodesia. South Africa and Britain to bring about a speedy solution", he said. So far the nationalists had been given only vague promises. "Does anyone expert that on the basis of vague promises from the United States and the United Kingdom was should cause our war to wagie promises from the United Kingdom

We should cause our war to was the only solution in South stop? No, we will go on fight liberation is available to us."

Nations conference in support of the veoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia was highlighted by a sharp clash between China and Russia over the Soviet role in

Mr Chao Yuan, the Chinese representative, accused Moscow of perpetraing "all sorts of evils against the African people" and of sowing discord among African countries and Algerian news agency said the liberation movements. He also elections in Israel brought the accused the new tsars of terrorists to power, raised a being behind the recent invalue. sion of the Shaba province of Zaire. This, he added, was part of a campaign aimed at the whole continent.

The futility of seeking a negotiated settlement in the Middle East.

In Washington, President Carrer supposed like everyone.

Africa, he said, should beware of the danger of "letting the tiger in through the back door while driving the wolf from the front gate.

The Russian delegate, Mr
F. N. Evsiukov, rejected the
Chinese claims as "slanderous

chinese claims as standerous allegations? designed to camouflage the "well-known alliance between the Chinese and the forces of imperialism and reaction in Africa". He was supported, by the Cubas representative; Mr. Raul Vivo, who accused China of supporting reactionary forces fighting

reactionary forces fighting in Angola.

Mr Stephen Dlamini, a former South African political prisoner, told journalists here today about his experiences in jail. An executive member of the African National Congress and president of the South African Congress of Trades Unions he fled to Mozambique

Mortar attack by Zambia

Tass avoided any direct comtalks without pre-conditions
with the Arabs.
Portugal said it would not
reverse its decision to establish
full diplomatic relations with

From Michael Knipe
Salisbury, May 18
The Rhodesian tourist resort of Victoria Falis was subjected to a 25-minute spell of mortar bombing and small arms gunfire from across the Zambian horder today.

The attack occurred 48 hours after President Kaunda of Zambia announced that a middle-aged African and his state of war "existed between the two countries and that his military forces had been placed on full alert. There were no casualties.

A Rhodesian military community community blamed "elements of the Zambian Army" for the Zambian Army for the Zambian army of the Zambian dank at a said danced as they tortured a Middle East question," a Foreign Ministry communique said.

Rewards of Terrorism, page 16 military forces had been placed

Fabians spell out dilemma on European elections

By Our Political Staff The Labour Government's dilemma over direct elections for the European Parliament is candidly discussed in a Fabian pamphlet, Electing Europe's first Parliament, published to-

day.
The Labour Party is split on the issue", write the pro-Euro-pean authors, "and the normal electoral system of 'first past the post' may result in a decisive defeat for Labour in terms of seats at the target day of May-June, 1978; and yet the Government is heavily com-mitted to having elections from May-June, 1978; and yet the Government is heavily committed to having elections from (EEC) summit meetings and would hold up all countries' elections if they were delayed."

Describing the 1975 referendum result as a battle lost rather than a war ended for many Labour Party members, it e authors add: "This unfor-

causing a reduction of Government negotiating credibility in Europe, dismay among European socialist colleagues, and badly handicapping Labour in the coming electoral battle for seats in the European Parlia-Mr Rod Northawl and Mr

Richard Corbett argue that the Labour Party needs to prepare machinery for the elections immediately. For example, a special recommended list of candidates, "suitably vetted for the European Parliament"

tunate attitude to Europe is still

Señor Suárez's right to stand in poll confirmed

From Our Correspondent Madrid, May 18

The Spanish Board of Elections today confirmed the right of Senor Adolfo Suarez, the Prime Minister, to stand in the The decision was bardly sur-

prising. Under the electoral law all ministers and holders of high office wishing to stand in the elections had to resign,

constitution for the country to present to the new Cortes Opposition parties are demanding that the next Parliament draws up a new consti-tution and the parties are working on their own versions. extreme right-wing Fuerza force its version through with-Nueva had earlier challenged out consulting them this legal right to stand inevitably provoke a storm from both the neo-Francoist Popular Alliance, which is basically against constitutional changes, and from the left. Señor José Maria Areilza

Murdered girl's father to visit convicted man From Our Correspondent

Athens, May 18 Mr and Mrs Edward Chap-

man, the parents of the London freelance journalist, Ann Chap-man, who was murdered near Athens in 1971, met Mr Stefankis, the Greek Minister of Jus-tice, today to press their demand for a reopening of the Two years after Miss Chap-

man's death, Nikolaos Moundis, a former prison guard, was found guilty of the murder and sentenced to life imprisonment. Mr Chapman was not satisfied of Mr Moundis's guilt and has visited Greece regularly to ask for a new investigation and a retrial.

they can to draw this dreadful case to a conclusion." The minister had assured him that he was orging the judiciary to carry on with the investigation, which was reopened at Mr Chaoman's request last year. Mr Chapman said the minis er also promised to arrange for him to visit Mr Moundis at the Aegina prison, where he is serving his sentence.

Mr Moundis, he said, had written to him in February and

again at the beginning of this month, saying he now felt free to speak frankly to Mr Chapman about the case.

Mr Moundis had first confessed to the killing, then retracted his statement saying he had been under pressure from the military dictatorship. "He

estimated as the equivalent of more than 201b of TNT and damaged the homes of Mr Yusef Nijm and Mr Anix Berberi, a party worker.

apparently aimed at the party in just over a month on April 13, the second anniversary of the rightist attack on a busload. of Palestinians which resulted in the civil war, an explosion After his meeting with the military dictatorship. "He in the civil war, an expression minister, Mr Chapman said: "I is the only one who can say ripped apart a bourique owned really do believe the Greek what happened", Mr Chapman by a member of the National Liberal Party.

Bomb attack on rightist party worker in Beirut Beirut, May 18.—A bomb "This is the kind of thing wrecked two flats near the you can expect" Mr Dory headquarters of the right wing Chamoun, the son and leading National Liberal Party early aide of Mr Camille Chamoun,

no casualties.

The bomb went off soon after midnight with a force

It was the second lexplosion

today. The incident was the party leader, said today. described by the party as another sign of continuing insecurity in Lebanon. It caused to a served its authority and we have scaled down our own bave scaled down our own party security. There is a security vacuum.

Mr. Chamqin declined to specify whom he suspected of causing the explosion. He said, however, that Lebanon would remain unstable and insecure as long as there were armed Palestinians in the country.

Last night, an explosion damaged a four-storey building in Sidon and slightly wounded two prople. Residents said that the bombs had been planted at the entrance to the clinic of a photology. physician married

rians US report says Russia vulnerable sagree to nuclear attack despite extensive civil defence preparation

rom Patrick Brogan. Jashington, May 18 A study released by a con-

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om Our Own Correspondent ashington, May 18

United States naval intelli-

onted States naval intelli-nce is today reported to have sbanded a sideline overseas ying operation that had been seping count of Soviet ship-ng in foreign ports, among her secret duties.

According to Pentagon re-

orts, the use of commercial cover" by some of its agents ad led to embarrassingly ofitable business ventures. It

as also said that the intelli-nce provided by the unit was

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The committee thus agrees

The committee thus agrees with successive Secretaries of Defense. It quotes Mr Harold Brown, the present Secretary, who said in January that "the Soviet Union could not attack soviet Union could not attack the United States without our being able to deliver a devastating retaliatory blow destroying the functioning of modern society. I believed the Soviet civil defence effort can be overcome by retargeting the United States missiles."

The report repeatedly points out that the attacker is capable of much greater mobility than the defender. It says that it would be wholly impractical for the Soviet Union (or for the United States) to protect every important industrial site against eveen a light attack, and impos

sible to defend anything against "sile-busting" weapons. It gives a list of the industrial targets whose destruction would ensure the destruction also of Russlan society. It observes that the Soviet administrative machinery is highly centralized and the country is thus more vulnerable than the decentra-

lized American society.
statistics the report says,
that a carefully configured
nuclear attack on the Soviet Union would so aggravate exist-ing weaknesses in the economic infrastructure that efforts to continue prosecuting any sort of war beyond a territorial defance would be extremely difficult, if not impossible."

Mr Carter abandons wiretapping powers

Washington, May 18
President Carter today surrendered the historic claim of "inherent" presidential power to order, without judicial control, electronic surveillance, including telephone tapping of anyone suspected of foreign

spying.
The President sent a Bill to Congress that would require a federal judge's warrant before receial judge's warrant before any such electronic surveillance could be undertaken by counter-intelligence authorities. The protection of a warrant applies to all persons, here, although the Bill's provisions allows; judges varying standards between American citizens and foreigners.

The Washington Post today escribes the unit with such ords as "crack, super-secret spies too bot to handle"

new Bill would outlaw a repeti-tion of President Nixon's order for the so-called "Kissinger wiretaps" of officials and journalists suspected of "national security" leaks, which came to form part of Mr Nixon's defences in the Water-sate standal gate scandul.

It is, of course, a consequence of Watergate and the ensuing demand for accountability and due process that would make British security services blench.

At a rose garden ceromony launching the Bill, President Carter claimed that it would resolve one of the most difficult tasks in a free society: to protect American citizens from foreigners.

Indecessary government intruHitherto a court warrant has sion and abuse of power.

been mandatory only for tele- and at the same time provide
phone tapping of suspects in an "adequate intelligence
ordinary criminal cases. The device".

Turnhalle plan backed by white electorate From Our Correspondent

Johannesburg, May 18 Meaningless though it all may be, about 95 per cent of white voters in South-West Africa (Namibia) have approved the independence plan drawn up by the multiracial Turnhalle constitutional conference in Wind-

This was the picture tonight with results known in 17 of 18 constituencies. The final result will probably be known tomor-row. The surnout was 62 per cent, a little less than had be-hoped for, but sufficient, ac-ing to white Turnhalle diers. to give them a strong mandate to go ahead with implementing

constitutional changes. Mr Abraham du Plessis leader of the National Party in South-West Africa and head of th ewhite delegation at the Turaballe, said there should no longer be any doubt that the whites had faith in the future whites had fait of the territory.

Some 52,000 of South-West Africa's 100,000 whites were eligible to vote, including those eligible to vote, including those registered in the harbour town of Walvis Bay, a South African enclave which Mr Vorster, the Prime Minister, has stated that Pretoria will never relinquish. About a third of the 22,000 Germans living in the territory were ineligible because they had never bothered to take out outh African papers.

The significance of the refer endum, of course, has been undermined by the message conveyed to Mr Vorster by the envoys of five leading Western nations that the Turnbelle independence formula is anacceptable.

The authorities must be thankful that President Carter delayed until last night his statement that strong action by the United States and the Western allies is to be expected if Pretoria does not relax its If the statement had come 24 hours earlier, it is reasonable to assume that the 5 per cent "No" wote against the Turn-balle constitutional plan would have been much larger.



be 20 million years old, found in a mine in Shantung, China. Its size was not stated.

Japanese trawler arrested

held islands claimed by Japan, the Japanese Martime Safety

Agency said.

The seizure by a Soviet patrol Mr Alexander Ishikov, boat of the 9.9 ton No 18 Shoho Soviet Fisheries Minister, Maru with five crew came as again today in Moscow. Soviet Fisheries Minister,

The fossil of a hitherto unknown bird, said to

Tokyo, May 18.—Russia the two governments were close today arrested a Japanese fish- to agreement on an interior ing boat off one of four Soviet fisheries pact which includes the disputed area.

Air Zenko Suzuki, the Japanese Agricultural Minister, and
Mr Alexander Ishikov, the

tant Attorney General, and Mr Star.

Burglaries may have had FBI approval

From Jerry Oppenheimer Washington, May 18

Mr William Sullivan, an assistant to the late J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has conceded that ir is possible that he gave FBI agents the go-shead for two or three surreptitious entries in their pursuit of radical fugitives in the early 1970s.

In an interview with the Washington Star, Mr Sullivan also acknowledged that he was told after the fact but condoned a break-in by agents in the Boston area in 1970 or 1971 in their hunt for a fugitive wanted security matter.
Mr Sullivan, who retired in

1972 as the bureau's third-rank-ing official, said he did not question the Boston action even though Mr Hoover had banned so-called black-bag jobs in 1966. Asked specifically whether he had approved requests from subordinates to use surreptitious entries in their hunt for the surreptions are the surreptions of the surreption of the surreptions of the surreptions of the surreptions of the surreption of the surreption of the surreption of the surreptio fugitive members of the Weathermen organization in the early 1970s, Mr Sullivan said:

"It could have happened, it's possible." He said he had a hazy recol-lection that he received two such requests from the New York regional office and possibly one from the Washington field office in 1970 or 1971. "At the time I was getting 40 or 50 calls a day from the field offices, so it could have hap-pened", he said. Mr Sullivan emphasized that

he had never personally initiated such actions and could not definitely recall whether he had responded to such requests; though he would have approved

The Justice Department has begun an inquiry into allega-tions that Mr Sullivan initiated the illegal operations under pressure from the Nixon White House and Justice Department officials serving under Mr John Mitchell, then Attorney General. There have been allegations

that Mr Sullivan went along with the plan in hopes of appre-hending the fugitives and im-pressing President Nixon enough to be appointed succes-sor to Mr Hoover.

Mr Benjamin Civiletti, Assis-

Phil Jordan, a special assistant to the Attorney General, ques-tioned Mr Sullivan extensively on Monday about his knowledge of the illegal FBI activities.

Mr Sullivan's lawyer yester-day denied reports that Mr Sullivan had acknowledged to the two officials that he authorized filegal investigative operations ander pressure from the Nixon White House and with the approval of Justice Depart-

ment officials.

"They had a long session and they asked Bill a lot of things, but his memory was absolutely forgy", the lawyer

said.
It was learnt last night that Mr Sullivan, in response to questions from Mr Civiletti and Mr Jordan, claimed that President Nixon and his predeces-sors at the White House had been aware that the FBI used break-ins and other question-able methods in both foreign and domestic intelligence in-

vestigations. During the questioning, Mr Sullivan was said to have depied knowing that either Mr Mitchell or Mr Robert Mardian, who served as head of the Justice Department's internal security division in the carly 1970s, had knowledge of or ran any of the illegal bureau activities now under in-

vestigation. Mr Sullivan also was said to have been questioned extensively about his own elleged role in granting requests for surreptitious entries.

A good portion of the questioning was understood to have been devoted to Mr Sullivan's

role in helping to draft the so-called Houston plan in 1970. The plan to coordinate law en-forcement investigations of radicals of both the left and right, was approved by President Nixon, but cancelled a short time later because of Mr

over's opposition. One source said Mr Sudivan might be interviewed again and possibly called to appear be-fore a federal grand jury in Washington that is expected to hear evidence regarding the role of FEI headquarters personnel in the use of illegal investigative activities during the past five years .- Washington

Calypso music greets US tourists in Cuba

roup of American sourists to int Cuba for 16 years landed t Havana yesterday to an athusiastic welcome from undreds of Cubans lining the

It was clear that Cuha was but Cr ving to make the visit a suc. There-ss. Girls from Cubasus, the compar

hinese market

or English

Hevana, May 18.—The first improved since President Carter came to power at the beginning of the year. A number of Congressmen and businessmen have visited Havana and some sporting con-

Teet outside the harbour.

On hoard their ship, the However, several problems aphne, were some 350 Americans to be solved. The us. The ship drew up to the Sound of calypso mine his remain to be solved. The using to the sound of calypso mine his recommended a particular to the sound of calypso mine his recommended a particular to the ship out from loud eakers on the ship out to th metree has recommended a par-rial lifting of the United States trade embarge on the island, but Cuba wants is abolished. There are also the questions of tourist organization companies that have been

Killer of Robert Kennedy to break silence

Los Angeles, May 18.—Sirhan Sirhan, the Palestinian refugee serving a life sentence for the assassination of Senator Robert

assassmation of Senaror Robert Kennedy in 1968, has decided to break his silence and talk about the killing. He sent word through his lawyer yestenday that he would like to mees Mr Baxter Ward and Mr Kenneth Hahn, the two Los Angeles County supervisors who had opened public hearings in their investigation of unsolved aspects of the Sirban

case. Since Mr Sinhan's trial in

Investigation of Filipino

echnical press Peking May 18 Mr. Robert axwell, the British publisher, day predicted a booming arket for English-language-ientific and technical journs in China.

ientific and technical jour-ils in China.

Mr Maxwell, who has had veral days of talks in Peking, id that with the emphasis tina was placing on industry d scientific research, there said be a market measur-le in millions of pounds. He said China had increased ders for journals produced his own company. Pergann Press, and he hoped to toksh Chinese scientific pers.

ould shortly print data on a king-developed machine for

woman in torture case

banned Communist Party.

Preliminary investigations had also begun into alleged use of aliases by Mrs Herrera to conteal her identity and alleged violation by her of a martial law order prohibiting rallies, demonstrations and sec-

Banned demonstrations.

Her complaints of torture by sectric shock and general abuse of her body during detention aroused protests to the Philippines Government by the United States State Department and by Filipino Roman Carholic bishops.

anyone accused

He has said that medical examinations, tend to refuse Mrs Herrera's ellegation of the ture. But this has been challenged by her lawyer, Mr Francisco Rodrigo, a former senator, who said there was eyewitness evidence of marks on her body resulting from the shock treatment.—Reuter.

former president of an organization which the authorities believed to be a from for the banned Communist Party.

Manila, May 18.—Military sources said today that a Filipino woman community worker, whose allegations of torture prompted a protest by the United States, is teing investigated on possible charges of subversion.

They said that Mrs. Trisidad Herrers, who is 37, was the former president of an organi-

ordered an investigation of her case and the court martial of

Dpium growers cash in on coffee

adly by-product heroin, tich now fetches 5753,000 440,000) a kilogram on the

The other is the coffee tree, roduced into Asia's Golden iangle three years asp. as at of a United Nations perimental scheme to prole Thailand's tribal culture. with alternative cash crops their traditional form of in-

iduces approximately 76 is of opium a year. Refined wn in secret jungle labor-ries, this amount would duce seven tons of morions suggest that poppy cal-ators in Thailand's neighits in the Golden Triangle, rma, Laos and southern ina, produce a further 500

is of opium a year.

\ large amount of this column consumed by local addicts l as medicine by the oill onle, but an equally large incire is smuggled out in the m of heroin by feudal war is. It eventually passes ough middlemen with ever

year and drug traffickers face summary execution. But the profits are enormous. Ac current prices the popo cultivators receive £290 for 1 for £440,000 on the streets of New York

which spring up in the hills

alienate the 300,000 hill people in northern Thailand and drive them into the camp of cont-munist insurgents if it eradicates the poppy fields without offering the area other sources

offering the area other sources. In Ram Phus, another willage of incume.

In Ram Phus, another willage in the scheme, many of the Mr Ian Williams, director of hill people are growing kidney the United Nations programme beans. Mr Nai Ning, the headman, who earned £600 from his land, says: "These are sample crop of kidney beans, says he people. They do not grow will never grow the opium for drug abuse control in Thailand, says: "These are simple people. They do not grow the poppy to make a fortune." An average family makes about £200 a year. They simply sell the opium to buy rice and but the United Nations hopes A large part of the

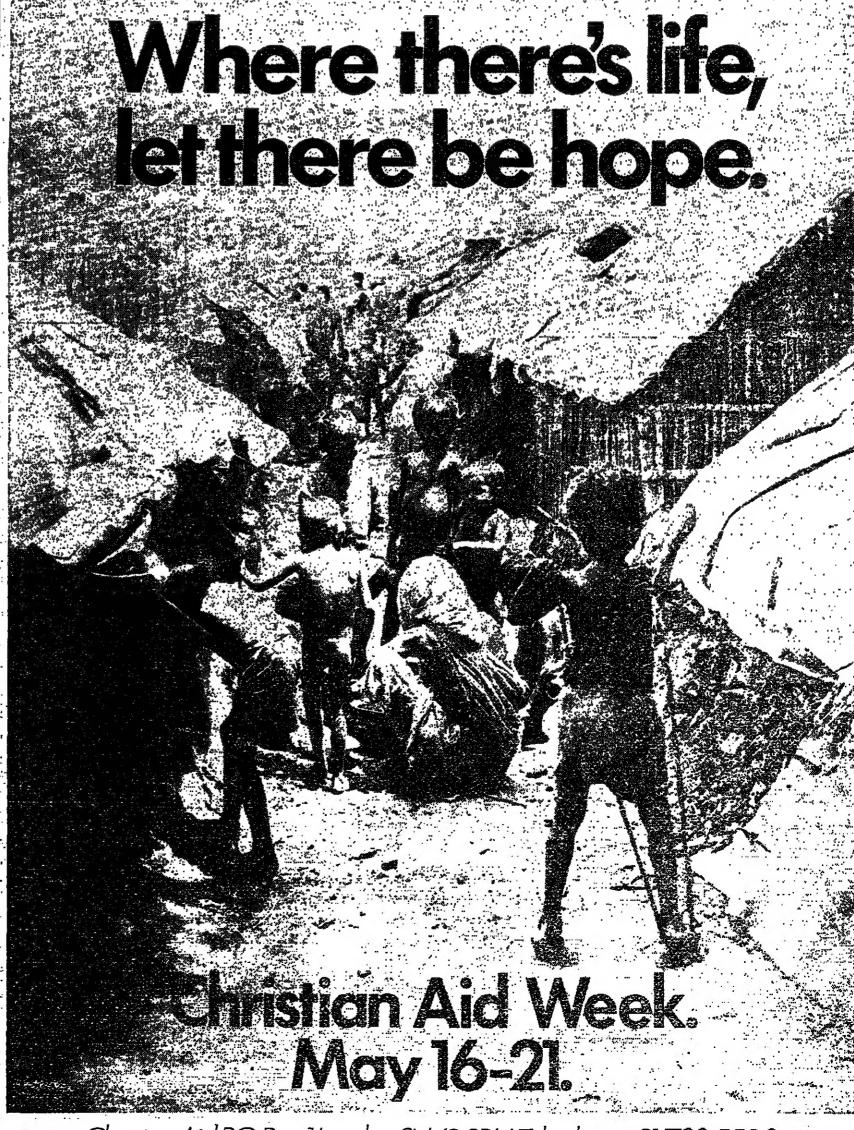
rultivate other cash crops. During the past five years Unagronomists, led by Mr Dick
Mann, the project manager in
Chiang Mai, have introduced a
number of substitute crops including coffee, kidney beans,
pyrethrum, oriental tobaccoand vegetable seeds.

Coffee, harvested for the first time this year, has so far pro-ved to be the most lucrative and successful rival to the

Fields of red and white pop-pies still grow alongside the one of the five key sites which under the United Nations At first the village

suspicious of the new crops but they are now beginning to realize the advantages. In Doi Sam Mun they found that they earned £350 from cultivating coffee this year on one third of an acre. The same area would produce £35 of opium.

This year's coffee crop amounted to a mere 10 tons introduce millions



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Brearley is likely to start series as England's new captain

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent

By choosing Breariey to lead MCC against the Australians at Lord's next Wednesday, the selectors have indicated that he will anyway start the series against Anstralia as England's new captain. As Greig's vice-captain last winter, and one of England's opening batsmen both in 'India and Mel-hourne, Breurley's preferment was

It had been the selectors' in-It had been the selectors' intention, I think, to nominate Greig for the three one-day Prudential Cup matches, due to be played on June 2, 4 and 6, and to appoint him at the same time for the full Test series. Once that ceased to be an option they would have reviewed Boycott's position before settling for Brearley. It was interesting, if not relevant, that Greig in one of his television appearances said he "dearly hoped" that Brearley would succeed him.

The fact that Boycott seems not

succeed him.

The fact that Boycott seems not to have notified the selectors that he is now available again is no reason for their not finding out from him whether in fact he is. When last I heard he was only certain that he would play so long as he was made captain. If that is how he still feels he can be ruled out. Whatever he himself may believe, and although like Greig he is well worth a place on merit, Boycott has no divine right to the captaincy. His only gaining the respect of those who have been up in the trenches without him in the last three-years.

My own instincts are for leaving missed England's last 28 Test matches are mostly poor ones. For a long time one looked to Greig for

loyalty to England, not Boycott. On the other hand, should the selectors decide they need Boycott too badly not to bring him back, if the Ashes are to be recovered, it will be understandable. The decision rests with Messrs Bedser, decision rests with Messrs Beaser,
Barrington, Elliott and Murray,
Bovcott is a fit 3b and playing well.
The absence from the MCC side
or Greig, Knott and Underwood
is of no special significance. They
are all fairly sure to play in the
first Test match. The fact that
they are missing from next week? they are missing from next week's game gives Miller, Edmonds and Lyon chances they might other-wise not have had. Lyon, the Lan-

Lyon chances they might otherwise not have had. Lyon, the Lancashire wicketkeeper, has played in only 24 first-class matches, because of having been until this season Engineer's understudy. Every look at Athey, now studying under Boycott, is an interesting one. His unbeaten innings of 85, out of a Yorkshire score of 113 for six on a turning pitch at Northampton last week, is said to have been remarkably accomplished for a 19-year-old.

At the age of 29 Allan Jones guests his first representative When he left Sussex for Somerset, and then Somerset for Middlesex, such heights must have seemed beyond him. He has Brearley to thank for having taken him under his wiry. For a few overs Jones is as fast as any English fast bowler except Willis. Hendrick makes his usual appearance as the other opening bowler. Of the 11 players only Brearley is over 30, With an average age of 25 it is the youngest side of its kind for a long time. Team:

J. M. Brearley (Middlesex, Captah).

C. W. J. Athey (Yortshire), G. D. W. Randeli

Hundred before lunch by Richards for Hampshire

narry Richards, ar his initiality hest with a six and 16 boundaries, completed a century before lunch at Bournemouth and was the mainspring of Hampshire's total of 314 from 100 overs against Derbyshire yesterday. Both counties, deservedly took four bonus rounts.

points. Richards, as so often in the past, made it look easy as he drove and pulled a tight attack for his 78th century. In this form, and sponsored for El a run in all es, he is going to make a

matches, he is going to make a bumper benefit.
Gilliat hit a swashbuckling 90 (10 fours) in two and a half hours. Four bowlers each claimed two wickets. In the final 70 minutes Derbyshire reputed with 32 for no wicket from 25 overs.

Seam biowlers on both sides derived help from a lively pitch. Surrey, sent in by Yorkshire, lost half their side for 42. But Roope (64) and Indikhab (44) produced a stand of 102 in 140 minutes after the wicket had eased slightly. Old and Stevenson took three wicket each.

Yorkshire were also in trouble and in the last 90 minutes made only 39 runs off 22 overs, losing Boycott and Athey, both to Jack-

manchester
Warwickshire finished the day
in a commanding position, thanks
to centuries by Smith and Whitehouse in their total of 366 for four. Rouse completed Lancashire's unhappy day by taking two quick wickets, to leave them struggling at 59 for two off 17

Second XI competition

Rugay: Middlesex II. 364 for 4 (D. Whatmord 150 not out. K. Toming the control of the

arry Richards, at his brilliant boundaries in an aggressive 104, with a six and 16 boundaries, and Smith went on to hit a pleted a century before lunch career-best 135. They scored 188 Bournemouth and was the in as many minutes together.

to the England selectors with an unbeaten 76 on a green wicket. He helped to steer Kent into a strong position against Gloucestershire. With his captain, Asif Iqbal, Woolmer, who hit mine fours, put on 113 for the third wicket after Gloucestershire had been put out for 131. Only Stovold, with 39, stood up to the Kent attack.

Newark

Worcestershire, apparently heading for a strong position after Neale had hit his first championship century, collapsed to the Notice that he will be not seven wickets for 27. Doshi bowled unchanged for three hours and returned figures of 34—17—47—4. White took three for 36. Neale's century came in only 144 minutes. with 18 fours, many of them strokes of quality.

Nortinghamshire lost Hassan and Todd cheaply, but Randall and Rice added 51 without being parted.

The Test and County Cricket Board will have a special meeting on May 31 to consider their atti-tude to Kerry Packer's planned series of matches in Australia next winter.

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Watched by an England selector.

Charlie Elliott, Whitehouse hit 18 poches 18 for 18 f

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Middlesex sail ahead with Smith century

LORD'S: Middlesex, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, lead Glamorgan by 108 runs.

Middlesex had passed Glamorgan's first innings total of 87 before four o'clock without losing a wicket yesterday, on a cold, if sunny, day. Brearley, probably more anxious to make runs than at any other time in his life, made a sound 50, but it was Smith who went on to complete a typically handsome century.

handsome century.

Glamorgan's current period of transition was always likely to be more evident this summer in three-day games than in limited-overs cricket, where, for instance, they have already won three out of three Benson and Hedges ties. Even allowing for a pitch from which spasmodic lift could be obtained, the inexperienced Glamorgan batsmen were disappointing.

Receiver and Smith were assured. Brearley and Smith were assured from the start as they shared a first-wicket stand of 134 off 49 overs. Nash's movement and Cartwright's accuracy brought odd moments of warchfulness, but generally the two Middlesex batsmen were in unworried control. Brearley fell to a catch in the gully when he tried to force Nash way on the back foot. Smith's timing on both sides

Smith's timing on both sides of the wicket was as smooth as always. He reached his 100 out of 177 after 62 overs and he and Barlow have so far added 51 together for the second wicket. Overall, the day underlined that Middlesex last year won the championship and Glamorgan finished last.

Ouce Alan Jones was out in the fifth over, the Glamorgan batting inevitably looked vulnerable. Francis, who showed composure and style for 90 minutes, was the only one among their crop of promising young players to hint that he might build an innings.

innings.

Middlesex, of course, are considerably reinforced this season by the arrival of Daniel in their attack. Daniel has lost weight since last summer's West Indian tour and looked all the more fluent in his action for having

is among the counties Allan Jones has not played for. He began with four overs from the pavilion end during which he had Alan Jones caught at extra cover from a mistimed drive. Later, from the nursery end, he looked more flery, and a splendid breakback ended Francis's stay.

Selvey's fire wickets were neatly parcelled: two 200d return catches accepted before lunch, and then the last three wickets to fall afterwards in 15 balls, which cost ning runs. Four of these were an

nine runs. Four of these were an on-drive to the boundary by Cartwright, as good a stroke as any played for Glamorgan. It was strange to see Cartwright coming in at No 11, even if 15 years have elapsed since he took a double in at No 11, even if 15 years have elapsed since he took a double century off Middlesex for Warwickshire. His main duties this summer are as Giamorgan's coach, but when he plays his calm approach would surely serve Giamorgan higher in the order. Selvey's canch, from a full-blooded hit back to him from Nash, was as good a caught-and-bowled as anyone will ever see. Selvey first partied the ball in front of his face, probably thereby saving himself a fractured skull, before he twisted round and dived to hold the ball two-handed behind him.

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A. Hopkins, c and b Selvey
A. Francis, 1-be b Selvey
A. Francis, 1-be b Selvey
B. Francis, 1-be b Selvey
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W. Jones b Selvey
A. Nash c and b Selvey
W. Selvey
W. Cartwright, c Radley, b

Total (1 wkt, 71 overs) . 193
T. Radley, N. G. Festhermone,
W. Carting, P. R. Edmonds, IN,
D. Ross, M. W. W. Scivey, W. W.
Janiel and A. A. Jones to bet.
FALL OF WICKET: 1-134.
Sonus points (in date): Middlesez

Batsmen are bemused by sun and Kookaburra ball

By John Woodcock NORTHAMPTON: Essex, with five first innings wickets in hand are 115 runs behind Northampton-

The sun, therefore, which shone The sun, therefore, which shone from morning till night, failed to cheer things up for the batsmen. The day's highest score was Sarfraz's 36. Several others got a bit of a start before being beaten by movement off the seam or unevan bounce. Turner's figures in North-amptonshire's inwings, of six for 26 (his best in first class cricket) are not necessarily, I am afraid, an advertisement for the Kookaburrs. If, in fact, the ball is an encouragement to medium pace, then the fewer we import, the better.

It was cold enough for Essex It was cold enough for Essex to bowl their overs at over 19 to the hour, in spite of Acfield, one

to bowl their overs at over 19 to the hour, in spite of Acfield, one of the two spin bowlers, having to leave the field with back trouble. Lever had a good first spell, but an unlucky one; the bustling Turver, pirching the ball well up and bowling admirably straight, began by having Cook caught at the wicket down the leg side off his second ball.

There followed in the course of Northamptonshire's innings three splendid catches, two by Hardle and one at slip by Mc-Ewan. The first of Hardle's was at backward short leg, when Acfield got an offbreak to turn at Steele, the second a goal-keeper's catch near the square leg umpire. Only an eighth wicket partnership of 43 between Sarfraz and Hodgson enabled Northamptonshire to take a batting point.

Total '5 whis, 21 overs) . . . 65 R. E. East. TN. Smith, J. X. Laver and D. L. Acheld to bat. FALL OF WIGGETS: 1-10, 2-11, 5-14, 4-16, 5-53. Bonns points (to date); Northamponshire 3, Essex 4.
Umpires: 8, J. Moyer and K. Enimet. Yorkshire v Surrey AT SHEFFIELD SURREY: First Innings R. Butcher, 1-b-w, b Old ...

HAMPSHIRE: Pirst innings
G. Grenidge. b Hendrick
A. Richards, b Miller
R. Tarner I-bw, b Miller
E. Jesty, b Hendrick
B. M. C. Gillat, c Tunnichffe,
b Swarbrook
M. Rich, c Miller, b Bartow
G. Corriev c Graham-Brown
Bartow
D. S. Stophorason, not out
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D. M. E. Roberts, c Tunniciffe,
b Swarbrook
W. Southern, ren out
Extras (I-b S, n-b 8) YORKSHIRE: Pret immes

"G. Septont, c Edrich, b Jackman

R. G. Lumb, not out

C. W. J. Athey, c Pocock, b
Jackman

G. A. Cops. not out

Extras (2-b 2) Total (ne wkt. 25 overs) . 33
O. Willer. 2. J. Brizw. A. J.
Borrington, H. Cartwright. F. W.
Swartavok, J. Graham-Epoyn, IR. W.
Taylor. C. J. Tunniciffs and M.
Hendrick to bel.
Bonus points (to date): Hampshire
A. Drabyshire A.
Umpires: D. L. Evzne and A.
Vancer.

Cambridge v Sussex

AT CAMBRIDGE
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: 15. P. Coverdale, c Barciny, b Chestle M. K. Fosh, b Briss
P. W. G. Partor, b Walter
A. J. Hignell, c Misnedad, b Briss
P. W. G. Partor, b Walter
A. Greig, 1-b-w, b Spencer
I. A. Greig, 1-b-w, b Spencer
I. Besumoni, b Prinippou
P. J. Ekyes, 1-b-w, b Spencer
P. J. Ekyes, 1-b-w, b Spencer
P. J. Ekyes, 1-b-w, b Briss
M. G. Howatt, bow, b Briss
M. E. Althrook, 1-b-w, b Briss
Extra 1 b 6, 1-b 5, h-b 3

SUSSEX: First Innings

When Essex went in with ninety minutes left they were soon 15 for four. Denness, "making room", played on; McEwan got a ball that kept low, Hardie one that may have cut back a little, Fletcher was caught at the wicket, sparring. It was with a Kookaburra ball that Glamorgan were howled out vesterday at Lord's

bowled out yesterday at Lord's for 87 and Gloucestershire at Bristol for 131. Until Gooch and Turner made 37 together it looked as though Northamptonshire might do even worse as indeed they still could.

still coald.

In view of one or two things Bedi, as India's captain, had to say last winter about the whys and the wherefores of Lever's polishing of the ball it was shought that his meeting with Easex might produce some fireworks. In the event Lever, although he was bowling when Bedi was in, was doing so into the wind and would have been wasting his time had he tried to bowl short. Turner at the other end continued to pitch the ball up. From a distance, at any rate, the exchanges seemed all very gandemanly.

MORTHAMPTONIMMERS. First hadings

Mushing Mohammad, c Hardle, b Acrieta Mushing Mohammad, c Hardle, b Boys V. Larkins, 1-bw, b Turner V. Larkins, 1-bw, b Turner C. Sharp, b Turner C. Sharp, b Turner C. Sharp, b Turner C. Hodgeon, c Denness, b Turner C. J. Dye, b Turner Extres (1-b 7, n-b 9)

SEREX: First innings

3. R. Hardie, 1-b-w. b Sarrez

M. H. Denness. b Sarrez

M. H. Denness. b Sarrez

M. H. McKvall. b Sarrez

K. W. R. Fietcher. c Sharp, b

G. G. Gooch. not out

5. Tarner, b Hodgson

K. D. Boyce, not out

Extrac (n-b 4)

shire.

This is one of the 34 champion-ship matches being played this season with the Kookaburra ball, a product of Australia and less expensive than those made in England. How much it was the ball that was responsible for the pattern of yesterday's play it is difficult to say, for the pitch, though dry, was on the rough side, and there were times when the wind was bigh enough to do strange things. All told, 15 wickets fell and six hours and a half yielded only 241 runs, Essex making 63 for five in reply to Northamptonshire's 178.

The sun, therefore, which shone

Hants v Derbyshire

AT BOURNEMOUTH HAMPSHIRE: Pirst Innings

DEREYSHIRE: First Innings

Notts v Worcestershire

AT NEWARK
WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings
M. Turner, c Harsts, b Rice.
A. Ormrod, c Rice, b Wilkinson
9
A. Nearle, b Wilkinson
11
1. D. Hentsley, c Hessen, b
12
1. D. Oriselra, b Dochi
1. D. Hentsley, b Wolley
1. D. Inchnore, b Wolley
1. D. Inchnore, b-b-w, b Dochi
1. D. Inchnore, b-b-w, b Dochi
1. D. M. Giffort, c Smediev, b White.
4. A. Holder, run but
1. Curnies, not out
1. Carries, not out
1. Carries, not out
1. Total

BOWLING: Rice. 13 3 20 1; Wikinson, 15 3 42 1; Tsvinr, 11 2 2 49 0: Doshi, 54 17 47 4; White, 17.4 6 36 3. WOTTINGHAMSHIRE: Fost Incides

Total (2 wkts, 37 overs) . 84

† M. J. Harris, P. D. Johnson,

M. J. Smediev, R. A. White, D. R.
Doshi, P. A. Wikinson and W. Taylor
to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-20, 2-33.

Bonus points (to date): Nattingham-shire 4. Worcestershire 2. Umpires: R. Aspinali and R. Julian.

Robinson

G. P. Howarth, c. Limb, b. Old

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Younis, Ahmed, b.-w., b. Cope

G. R. J. Roope, b.-w., b. Robinson

V. E. Skinner, b.-w. b. Robinson

Inlikhab Alam. c. Barriow, b. Old

R. D. Jachard, c. Barriow, b. Old

R. D. Jachard, c. Barriow, b. Old

G. Amold, not out.

Stevenson.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—23, 2—33.

Bonus points (to date): Yorkshire
4, Sarroy 1.

Umpires: W. E. Philipsen and 3.

Van Gelovon.

Total

FALL OF WICKSTS: 1—7, 2—7, 3—59, 4—80, 5—30, 6—115, 7—127, 10—223, 80%, 12.3—2—24—4; 30—21—1 dilipson 16—6—31—1; Burtley, 8——16—0; Mianded 4—0—15—1; Circlin, 8——6—52—1; Knight, 5—1—22—0.

Total (1 wk:) 29 R. D. V. Knipht. Javed Miandad.
P. J. Graves, M. A. Buss, 17. J.
Head, C. P. Phillipson, C. E. Waller
and R. G. L. Cheattle to be:
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25.
Umpires: R. E. Barnard and D.
Osiear.

Bath enjoys return of Australian local boy

first innings wickets in hand are 102 runs behind the Australians The sunshone at last for the Australians at Bath, but they did not make the most of it, for they were all out, after winning the toss, by tea. This was greatly to the pleasure of the large Somerset toss, by tea. This was greatly to the pleasure of the large Somerset crowd, and their equal pleasure was that Chappell—who as a young man used to play for somerset, scored for them the very first century to be made in a John Player match, and whom the therefore regard as a local bov— red a splendid century.

Very nearly, he scored a century before lunch, at which point he was 99 not out. He was at the wrong end for the critical last few balls, but under a less severe captain than Close it might have been arranged. I am not suggesting that it should have been, but it would have done no harm. The Australians have been known to be generous in such little mainers. I remember how Bradman, by a declaration, gave Bill Edrich the chance to reach his 1,000 in May in 1938.

Chappell batted commandingly all through, with two sixes and 12 fours. He was dropped in the slips, when the score was 57, just after the second wicket had fallen at the other end. It was a hard catch and the only time I can remember when he looked like getting out, until, doubless feeling duty done both to his side and the spectators, he was third out at 177. Of the other batsmen, only Coster provided much help, and the innings gave another illustration that the newer Australians—though they can hardly be blamed for it, since they have had so little play—have still to come to terms with English pitches, especially in a damp spring.

Nor did the Australians shine when bowling, for Thomson was

pitches, especially in a usure spring.
Nor did the Australians spine when bowling, for Thomson was no balled 15 times by Bird, in seven overs. Not much significance, I think, should be attached to this. Thomson has been known to have such as been problems before to this. Thomson has been known to have such problems before, early in the scason. "Come to Chew Magna: we need a new fast bowler", cried one gleeful Somerset optimist, but I did not share the glee. It was too much like baiting a tiger who is simply working out his strength and distance before breaking the bars of the cage.

Nevertheles Rose, Denning, and Richards, took, advantage of their opportunities. Somerset reached 100 at about six to the over and, although the Australians had perked up by the end, thanks to Malone, it was still rather a worrying day for them.

AUSTRALIANS: First Innings

B. McCasber, C Botham, b

Garner

Garner. S. Serjeant, at Taylor, b

S. Serjeant, at Taylor, b Burgete G. S. Chappell, b Carner J. Cosier, b Garner D. Walters, c Denning.

Hookes, b Botham Hamb, b Garner O'Kbere, c Denning, R. Thomson, b Burgess
F. Malons, b Burgess
Dynock, not our
Extres (b 10, w 2, 2-b

C. Rose, not but W. Denning, c Marth, b

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GLOUCESTERSHIPE: Park ImbiasSada Mohammad. c. Hills. b Jarvis. 7
A. W. Stavold. b Jarvis. 7
A. J. Foot. 10
B. Stavold. b Jarvis. 7
B. Stavold. b Jarvis. 7
B. Shackleton. c. and b Jarvis. 1
B. Shackleton. c. and b Jarvis. 1
B. Manager. 195 500. 1
B. C. Child. c. Knot. b Shephard. 6
B. M. Braser. 195 500. 1
B. C. Child. c. Knot. b Shephard. 6
B. M. Braser. 195 500. 1
B. C. Child. c. Knot. b Shephard. 6
B. M. Braser. 195 500. 1
B. C. Child. c. Knot. b Shephard. 6
B. T. Taris. (5) 5. Shephard. 5
B. T. Taris. (Total (57.5 oters) 153 5412 OF WICKEYS: 1-19, 2-40, 546. -88 5-89 6-97. T-108, 8-112, 9-123, 10-151, 5-36-4; BOWLING: Arvis 17-5-36-4; Tulber, 35-2-34-1; Stephen, 50 -12, 10-12,

Total (5 whts, 50 overs) ... 144
A. G. E. Egiben, 1A. P. E. Knott,
N. Shepherd, B. D. Jalien, D.
oderwood, and K. B. S. Jarvis D FACL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—23.
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TR. W. Totchard, c Claughton, b FR. W. Teichara, c Casegmon. 43
Gutt
B. Hilmenerth, c Mayum, b Wingfrigh-Olaby
J. Birkensuny, c Clements, b
Wingfleid-Olaby
M. Schepen, not out. 23
M. Schepen, not out. 23
M. Shugleid-Olaby
L. Shugleid-Olaby
L. Taylor, not out. 31
L. Taylor, not out.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First limings
J. A. Claudion, not out
H. R. (I. Wells, not out
1. I. Total (no well)

-V. J. Marks, M. L'Estrange, S. M.
Claudion, D. K. Marchall,
A. R. Gurr,
D. Servicii and R. Sauge is bell
Umplrus: J. F. Gurp and D. Sang
Hue.



Miss Lannaman survives test

Sonia Lannaman, who could hardly have facel a tougher leg injury had healed, showed it had last night by defeating over 200 metres the greatest female runner in the world, the world record-holder at the distance, Irena Szewiaska, of Poland. Irena Szewiaska, of Poland.

The tace was just one of the competitive highlights of the Jubilee Night, of Athletics, sponsored by Philips, at Crystal Palace, which served up almost too many great athletes at one helping to savour all their performances properly. But as so many were mainly concerned with simply stretching their legs as the new season unwinds, and even the stadium with its newly-laid track and new stand had a dress rehearsal air about it, any performances which pushed back the clock were a bonus.

Miss Lamamon's winning time of 22.83sec approached her own United Kingdom record by .02sec. omen angum record by .02ser, but the race was wind-assisted. The time, however, and even the size of her victory, some three metres, mattered less to the 21-year-old Birminsham year-old Birmingham typist than the fact that she had run 200-metres flat out in a race without breaking down.

breaking down.

After her disappointment at the Montreal Olympics; where Miss Lannaman, a medal prospect, was unable to compete after injuring herself a few days before the Games, and two subsequent breakdowns, she is at last sadisfied that the hemsiring has healed. In last, night's race Shatom Coyear of Streeford ran the fastest head. of Streetord ran the fastest bend, Mrs Szewinska overhauled her at the beginning of the straight, but moving even faster inside them both was Miss Languag, who showed that her recent three weeks spent training in Spain and Warr Commun.

British athletes gained some revenge in other events too. One notable victory was that of Geoffrey Capes, who gained some satisfaction from beating Hreian Halldorsson of Iceland. He unexpectedly beat Capes for the European indoor tifie in March. Capes, still feeling the strain of having competed in a recent superstars context, pushed out his winning throw of 65 ft. 85 in in the opening round, and Halldorsson was unable to respond.

Earlier Alan Pascoe who the 400 metres hurdles, finishing ahead of Jose Caryalho of Portugal, who was fifth in the Olympic Games, and that not only helped Pascoe ease some of his disappointment in being injured last seeson, but was also a fitting reward for someone who had spent the last 36 hours with a bad headsche as the problems of being meeting organizer became acrite.

Mary Stewart made most of the running in the women's one mile, and won by 50 yards in 4min 36.11ec, which was a Umited King-

Crystal Palace results



Seven Spaniards through in first round Seven seeds out of eight surined the first day of the match.

Hardly a ripple disputed the first gave an equity ruling

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seven times from four feet or less.

Piñero, seeded on the strength we of his victorious World Cup cambination with S. Ballesteros, was in rouble at the 15th against R. Maltman, nominated as Scottish words of the year in 1976, after cutting his drive behind a tree and missing the green. But Maltman, one up on the 16th tee, took three from the edge of the next two greens and never looked like getting it back at the 18th. Piñero was escorted over the last few holes by two of his compatitots; they are indeed a close little group.

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Coles's six and five victory over Brunyard was the easiest among the seeds and one of the best of the day. There were more close finishes than wide margins, indicating the difficulty in drawing away over this delightful 6,645 yards course. The breeze was surprisingly strong and held up all day. Not a day for shrinsleeves but

Today's fixtures

Cricket

Football

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Ement City (7.50): Everton y
Sunderland (7.50): Everton y
Sunderland (7.50): Premier division:
Maddetune v Burton (7.50): Brythan LEAGUE: Cao Bryth
Barking v Bendon (Harryw Borrough,
7.50)

Scotland's choice Results yesterday CTICKOT

BATH: Samersor v Australians (11.50 to 5.00 to 6.50).

COUNTY CHAMPTONSHIP BRISTOL: Glomeasteraine v Kent (11.50 to 7.0).

BOURNERYOUTH: Hampshirs v Derby-Manchester: Lanceshire v Warwickshire (11.0 to 6.50).

LORD'S: Middlesex v Glamorgan (11.0 to 6.50).

MORTHAMPTON: Northamptonahire v Essex (11.50 to 7.0).

NEWARK: Notinghamshire v Worcestershire ill. 30 to 7.0).

SHEPFI'LD: Yorkshire v Surrey (11.0 to 6.50).

OTHER MATCHES CAMBRIDGE: CAMBRIDGE: Cambridge University v Survey (11.30 to 6.50).

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Alistair Macleod, the Aberdeen manager, is the new Scotland team manager. He was appointed to the post vesterday in succes-

First round results at Stoke Poges

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Horton concussed as Lions win First match of tour

forwards, Reane and Orr, showed the benefit of their recent tour experience in New Zealand as the Lions' pack set in numerous scoring opportunities.

Williams ran in two more tries and Cobmer hurst across the line for his second. The Waitarapa-Bush side offered little resistance in the final minutes and David Burcher had no trouble in scoring two late tries. Bennett converted three of the tries and kicked a penalty goal. Santarion, New Zeenand, May Santa, Erists Lions, took, ad-autists of a favourable wind in be account balf to best Wairarapa-lush 41—13 here today in the pening match of their tour, of Siew Zealand. The Lions had an Spenny math of their four of Spenny math of the Hous had an nriens start against an icy wind and the home team led 13-12 at all dine. But the Lions steadily wrote down their concerns, effectes on a surprisingly firm road after heavy overnight snow. Despite a wet, shopery ball, the loss ran in eight tries, six by yet three-quarters, as their for ards dominated possession from explay. The Lions casy win was or without cost. Nigel Hotton, it England lock, was admitted a hospital and kept under obsertion overnight, after leaving the eld in the 29th minute suffering on concussion. Bruce Hay, the ordish full back, limped off in a second half and was treated hospital for a painful ankle jury. But an X-ray extendination lowed that no bone had been oken. two late tries. Bennett converted three of tile tries and kicked a penalty goal.

John Dawes, the Lions' coath, and reservations about the cold, wet combitions, but he was generally pleased with his ream's performance, especially as it was their first game for some weeks. The Lions' ability to coursol the wet, slippery ball must have served as a warning to the New Zealanders, although the touring team face a stiffer task against Hawkes. Bay on Saturday.

BRITISH LIONS: B. H. Have BRITISH LIONS: B. H. Have Brownen, A. R. Lydge, Harton's FP and Scotland; P. J. Squires (Papacoment, A. R. Lydge, Harton's FP and Scotland; P. J. Squires (Papacoment, A. R. Lydge, Harton's FP and Continued and Wales). D. Bennett (Liamell and Wales). D. B. Williams (Cardiff); G. Price, (Ponlypool and Wales). P. Wheeler Liciprists and England; N. E. Horton (Hoseley and Ireland). N. E. Horton (Hoseley and England). N. E. Horton (Hoseley and England). Capacoment, W. P. Dusgon, Blackrock College and Ireland). M. K. Kons (Lausdowns and Breland). T. F. Cunnett Changell and Wales). T. F. Evans (Swandes and Wales). T. F. Evans (Swandes and Wales). T. F. Evans (Swandes and Wales). T. F. Robertson: N. P. Sargent, G. K. McGlashan, W. N. Rowlands (capalan), B. W. J. Clarke, P. J. Guscott, N. D. Taylor, I. Turiey, P. C. Mahoney. Rovers and Reconstruction of the cold of the cold

lowed that no bone had been oken. Several fiery forward exchanges id a dedicated effort by the airaripa pack in the first half we the Lious a good introductor to the rigours of New aland, forward play. However, Phil Bennett was ways in firm control at stand-off of and he contributed to the seming points of the tour with a ever cross-kick which enabled. J. Williams to score the first his three tries in the third inute. The ions other points fore the interval came from two ore unconverted tries, by Peter united, the only non-Weishman score for the touring team, and arry Cobner.

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Wairarapa edged shead after an try try by Gary McGlashan and penalty goal by Nell Kjestrup. Son, shurrity before half-time, a crical kick by Alistair O'Neil, a Wairarapa stand-off, set up a y for Clive Paton, who bear illiams to the touchdown jestrup converted to put the me team in front, much to the elight of the partisan crowd.

With the stiff breeze behind tem in the second half, the Lions on proved their worth. The Irish Presse.

Conteh defiant but still oses his world title now decided on a change of policy. Some members are believed to favour such a move, although in the past the Board has been consistent on the matter, feeling that allowing live screenings would hit show attendances and give television too big 2 say in the sport. Today Contell and his business adviser, Brother Tony, return to the High Court where, on Tuesday, Contell was granted a temporary injunction against Mr Clarke and the Board's other WBC representative, preventing them from assisting the WBC in stripping Contell of his title. The fodge said he had no jurisdiction over the Mexico-based — Work! Boxing Council.

ohn Conteh declared himself ionn cooper deciret historia dil champion after hearing that ie World Boxing Council had ripped him of his world light exyweight title, for refusing to ox Argentina's Miguel Cuello in loute Carlo tomorrow.

ionts Carlo tomorrow.

"I am the man who won the tie, I am the man who the sople come to see " added the iverpool-born, boxer. But in the of Conteh's bold deflance and his continuing fight in the igh Court, it is now a fact that a is no longer champion. As the ritish Boxing Board secretary Ray larke said, after receiving the BC's decision in a telegram:

"We will not be reptying, it is necessary. There is nothing accept—it is a full accomplic."

Contah, whose life seame.

ainst the sports controllers, once he split with his former anager. George Francis, three are ago, was in no mood to eakly accept the decision. It is early matter wist anybody calls emselves after this. I didn't ink the WBC would being me of e title. I thought that even ally they would decide to sick their own rules and regulations. "All along it was my choice fight here in Britain. I am e champion. I shall light where like. I wanted to fight in this unory for the British Eght fams."

What helped kill Gonneh's hopes a home title defence was the itish Board's kelevision policy, he ham alter added to such the itish Board's kelevision policy, he had already agreed for many the had already the had

Replacement flying out

Monte Cario, May 18.—An nerican boxer, Jesse Burnett, is today travelling to Monte the British Boxing Board of Control that it had stripped to the be ready to replace John meh in the world light heavy light title bout against Maguel telid, of Argentina, the process and here.

The WBC celegram to the British Board did not memion any possible replacement. But the WBC day, the promoter, Rodulfo bhadim, and Monte Cailo's giver, Jean-Louis Medecin, said ey were giving Conteh until the eming to arrive here to defend; title or else they would task; World Boxing Council (WBC) take away his crown. They were aware, however, that at the

ranulovic subdues Vilas n battle from baseline

Rome, May 18.—Guillermo Vilas in the third game of the second Argentina, the second seed and set seemed to cause him to lose concentration.

After he had unsuccessfully challenged the call, Tanner lost some mulovic, of Yugoslavia, and mer lost 4—6, 6—3, 6—4 to rnared Mitton, of South Africa, and the second round.

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After he had unsuccessfully challenged the call, Tanner lost some experienced clay court player, were him down. scoe Tamer of the Uhited tres, seeded seventh, were Eliminated from the Italian tennis ampionships here today. Vilas amilovic, of Yugoslavia, and muer fost 4–6, 6–3, 6–4 to rounded Mitton, of South Africa, the second round. This was baffled by Framilyne's adiness. The Yugoslav, often hered by shoulder thouble lich had hampered his performes in the past, looked trim and his subdued Vilas in a battle m the baseline and scored with sing shots when Vilas ventured, the net. I amer, a husky left ander with seed, thad a difficult nime beating lose Higueras, of Spain, 7–5, 1–6, 6–2 in another second round match. Other seeded players eliminated today were Balasz Taroczy, of Hungary, but a dispute over a line call

esterday's results in Rome

dem's Singles: First round: V. (Haly) best S. Krusvitz (US), 6—3, mailts (US) best C. Dibity (Aus. 16), 6—3; T. Walther (US), 6—3; do 1, 6—3; D. Walther (US), 6—3; D. Walther (US), 6—3; D. Walther (US), 6—3; D. Walther (US), 6—3; P. Frantibut (US), 6—4; V. Pecchi (Paraguay) best Bertram (SA), 6—4; 6—5; C. R. A. Heath (SA), 6—6; C. R. A. Heath (SA), 6—6; C. R. A. Heath (SA), 6—1; P. McNamos (Romania) heath (Paraguay) best Strick (US) best A. M. Mcherite (US), 6—6; E. Deblocker (Romania) heath (US) best A. M. Mcherite (US), 6—6; E. Deblocker (Mayer (US), 6—3; D. Deblocker (Mayer (US), 6—3; D. Deblocker (Mayer (US), 6—6; D. Deblocker (US), 6—6; D. Milso M. Stanner (US), 6—6; D.

Piggott will ride The Minstrel in the Derby

Furthermore, he will have the assistance of the man who has now won the Derby more often than anyone else: the man who knows Epsom like the back of his hand and who has the temperament to cope with the big occasion.

Usually the news of what Piggott is to ride in the Derby causes a fuss in the antepost market, but yesterday only Ladbrokes took what one might call drastic action. They cut The Minstrel's price to 8-1 from 12-1. Hills and the Tote are, still prepared to lay the formidable partnership at 14-1 but for how long remains to be seen in view of the peremial support that Piggott commands throughout the country when it comes to the in view of the perennial support that Piggott commands throughout the country when it comes to the Derby. The only other reaction to Piggott's decision vesterday was a prompt move by Fulke Johnson Houghton to snap up William Carson to ride Hot Grove in the big race.

Having wow the Chester Vace on Hot Grove Piggot was obviously offered the ride on him in the Derby, yet be still prefers The Minstrel. Presumably that says

By Michael Phillips

Racing Correspondent

Lester. Piggott confirmed at Goodwood yesterday hat he has accepted the invitation to ride The Minstrel for Robert Sangster and Vincent O'Brien in the Derby on June 1. On Tuesday I wrote that Mr Sangster had told me there was a distinct probability that The Minstrel would run at Epsom and that Piggott would ride him there, but loose ends still had to be tied up.

Yesterday Piggott finally gave his stamp of approval, to Mr Sangster's relief and pleasure, and it is not difficult to envisage this

something for The Minstrel. Yet kaving seen Royal Elend run away with the Predominate Stakes at Goodwood yesterday, some will inevitably question Piggott's independent of the heat Royal Elend run away with the Predominate Stakes at Goodwood yesterday, some will envirably question Piggott's independent and could hardly have won more easily than he did vesterday, but to be fair it must be said that he was all at sea at Chester.

Furthermore, his trainer, Henry Cecil, and his jockey, joe Mercer, were adamant vesterday that they still consider Royal Elend to be mo much of a baby to cope with the hurly-burly of Epsom on Derby day. Cecil envisages Royal

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ran away win the Cucumber Stakes. She will surely be berd to catch at Epsom in June when she tries to keep her unbearen record intact in the Acorn Stakes. Still on offer at 14-1 for the Oaks, in spite of having afreaq won the Oaks trial at Lingued Park, Lincent will be drawing further attention to her classes, potential at Goodwood today, when the Lupe Stakes is her objective. In addition to winning at Lingfield, Lucent has already won at Epsom this season. Thus it can be virtually taken for gramed that she will not be put out of her stride by today's undulating course. In fact, Licenthas already won once at Goodwood, when she was a two-year-old last season.

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The key to today's race probably lies not in her workmarlike effort at Lingfield but in her earlier, performance at Epson, where she gave Miellita 3h and a five-length beating. Both were running for the first time this season. Since then each has gone her separate way, Lucent to Lingfield, where she won, Miellita to Chester, where she finished only third in the Cheshire Oaks. Some formed the opinion that Miellita did not give her all at Chester. A more charitable view, in my opinion, would be that she did not stay a mile and a half, which was always possible, as she is by king Emperor. Miellita was going the best of all passing the 19-furlong marker, but the twelfth and last furlong certaidy found her out. If it was, as I believe, her staming that let her down, not her temperament, she should be much more at home racing over a mile and a quarter this uternoon.

Yet bearing their Epson race in mind it still goes against the grain to oppose one so consistent and genuine as Lucent, who has never Iluished out of the first two in five races.

The distance of today's race chould also care in 19-furlous races.



Wahed (left) winning the Teglesze Stakes at Goodwood yesterday

the Deer Stakes at Chester.

Royal Blend's victory yesterday was Cecil's and Mercer's second big catch in as many days. Twenty-four hours earlier they won the Citive Graham Stakes with Lucky Wednesday. Otherwise, yesterday belonged to Brian Taylor, who won the Tegleaze Stakes on Wahed and the St Roche's Handicap on Bright Decision. Some more run in the past and I have a feeling that we saw some more run in the race yesterday. Rone was nicer than Wahed, who will run next in the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot.

Iudged on the way that he blew afterwards there is a considerable amount of improvement to him. Yet he was still good enough to win and win the hard way. He was drawn on the wide outside, where he raced more or less alone all the way. He had to best off a stake in the grain to oppose one so considerate and gamin and in the circumstances he excelled. Aberader, General Wades and Summerfield are ones to note, though, of those who finished behind him.

Wahed did a good time but

130yd)
B.iter Grange, 5-11-5 Francome
Caper's Lad. 3-11-5
Freedom's Feo. 5-11-5 Web 7
Genile Rois. 5-11-5 Web 7
Genile Rois. 5-11-5 Long Bite.
Lone Bite. 5-1-5 Chartes 5
Lone Bite. 5-1-5 Chartes 5
Lone Bite. 5-1-5 Chartes 7
Schotner Till 1-1-5 Ly Williams
Tudar Chartle, 7-11-5 Westing 7
Westward Express. 5-11-5
Sippl 3

3.30 TOTNES OPEN CHASE (Hunters: £561: 31m 100yd)

out of her depth. Pas de Probleme began her carcer by running that smart filly. Metair, to only half a length at Salisbury last September. Then she flushed behind Picatina at York, where he started favourite. Apparently she was all at sea on the heavy ground that day. Pas de Probleme is preferred on this occasion.

Her stable companion, Beethoven, could complete a double for Seven Barrows by winning the Langford Handicap, especially if he is given his head and allowed to bowl along in the lead from the word go, Beethoven is usually quick to get into his stride and he looks tailor-made for this fast sprint course.

Baildon has already won twice at Goodwood and he is now my selection for the Selhurst Park Handicap, in spite of the fact that, like Beethoven, he has a big weight to carry. There was much to like about the way that Egildon collared Amun Ra at Epsom last month.

Riboboy has chance to beat Palei again

From Desmond Stonenam French Racing Correspondent Paris, May 18 The Prix de Diane, the French

The Prix de Diane, the French version of the Oaks, is to be sponsored this year by Revion. This is the first time that a classic has attracted a sponsor, and the race for 1977, to be run on June 12 at Chandilly, will be renamed the Prix de Diane de Revion.

This fillies' classic was won last year by Pawneese, who had taken the Oaks at Epsom just over a week earlier. The same owner, Damel Wildenstein, may well win the event again this season wha Madelia, an easy winner recently

Damel Wildenstein, may well win the event again this season whan Madelia, an easy winage receally of the Poule d'essai des Pouliches. At Longchamp tomorrow Riboboy has a fine chance of winning the 13-furlong La Conpe in the hands of Alfred Gibert. Since arriving in France to be trained by the Norwegian born Azge Paus, Riboboy has shown new promise. Although the Grand Prix de St Cloud on July 3 is the son of Ribe's main target, he already has two wins and a second to his credit this season.

Riboboy beat Palel, his most serious rital tomorrow, by three quarters of a length in the Prix de Paillon at St Cloud in April, but the weights now chance in latour of Palei. However, Riboboy has since won the Prix Demmanderic again at St Cloud, and he is the selection to win from Palei, a close second this month to Paint the Town in the Grand Prix d'Evry.

LA COUPE (1-19-0) \$11,757; Im 57.

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Goodwood programme



scrept—It is a fait accompit. Lerday was George Francis, who

Contah, whose life seems to now trains the self-managed Control bettiers the sport's controllers, 'any I can remember.' he said.

Ince he split with his former 'There is no doubt in my mind 'A.0 MORTAR MILL HANDICAP (£1,069: 1½m)

4.30 LANGFORD HANDICAP (3-y-0: £1,043: 5f) 601 1102-40 Beethuyen (D), P. Whwyz, 9-7
603 01320-0 Good Try (D), E. Candy, 9-0
604 020030- Salinda Nedo, W. Puyne, 9-5
605 073130-0 Salinda Nedo, W. Puyne, 9-5
606 073130-0 Salinda Nedo, W. Puyne, 9-5
607 401-02 Salinda Nedo, W. Puyne, 9-5
608 0343-03 Salinda Nedo, W. Puyne, 9-7
608 0343-03 Salinda Nedo, 9-7
608 0343-03 Salinda G. Di. K. Salinda, 7-13
608 000-001 Laser Givina (C-D), K. Salinda, 7-13
609 000-001 Wesley Bora, D. Marks, 7-7
8-1 Celegist CHT, 100-30 Jentin, 4-1 Salinda Nedo, 9-3 Goodwood selections

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

Goodwood results Croodwood results
2.0 12.02 TEGLAXE STAKES,
(2.90 colis: 5955.5)
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Abstrates Wade E. Eldin (1-1)
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Brishs Vanture
(4th), 15-2 Demetrius, 10-1 SummerRedd, 11-1 Hashnist, 10-1 Summer-1.30 (8.32) GUCUMBER STAKES, 12-y-0 (111-5: 51-158: 51-12-y-e filles: £1.150: 5f;

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9-1 . P. Weidron (8-15 feet)
Northern Dysasty G. Startsy (10-2 2
Levely Libra . P. Eddary (8-1) 2
ALSO RAN: 6-1 Tros Tarpet. (3th)
14-1 Sanyy Ste. 20-1 Mandrian, 25-1
Moodevan. 7 ran.
Tote: Win. 13p; places. 13a, 25p,
dual forecast. 61s; R. Candy, 4t Wang,
tage. 6t, 5t, 1min 00.3-8sec. 5.0 (3.02) ST ROCHE'S MANDICAL (2-y-0: £1.075:] Lim)

(3-y-o: £1.075; J*m)

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(3.y-o: £5.655: 1'-m')
Royal Blend, b c by Cropello—
Bombazine (C. St George: 8-11
J. Merter (11-4 Gy)
Sea Raider ... B. Taylor (9-2)
Nice Balasco .. L. Pisgot (16-1) 2
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4.0 (4.05) RAUGHNERE STAKER (3-y-0: XI.135: lm)
Bold Jack, ch. c. by Bold Lad—
Galliss 'B. 'lantell'
O. Attanson (20.1) 1
White Luncay ... R. Carant (8-1) 2
Monte Acuto ... R. Street (16-1) 3 AISO RAN: 9-4 fav Perfect Fit.
7-1 Bold Austrian, Scramolot (4th),
9-1 Mary Finon, Mustrian Coppet, Patte.
11-1 Sprangun, 14-1 Strae Bridge, 16-1

Buthless image, 20-1 Cista, Pipe Band, Pucka Fella, Sergant Itm. Woburn Carca Wen, Sparkfilm River, 19 ran. TOTE: Wim 24: paces, 60p, 57p, 62p; dual forecast, £11.06. R. Hannen, at Mariborough, 24, 24, 1min 42.76sec. 4.30 (4.33) COUNT HILL HANDICA (R1,159: 71) *20 (4.35) COUNT MILL MANDICAP
(RL159: 71)
Senset Value, h h, by Carrent Cain
—Elected (J. Fleider), 5-7-8
D. McKay (5-1)
Salema M. Johnson (11-1)
Crown Major M. P. Street (20-1)
ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Barma Pink
(4th), 15-2 Royfers, 8-1 Sound Jiff,
9-1 Fleur D'Amour, 10-1 Astor Boy,
Prospect Rainbow, 16-1 Baby Blair,
25-1 Accroson 11 res.
TUTE: Wim, 59p; places, 169, 27p,
29p; dual forecast, 63.0-4 A. J. Pitt,
28t Epoum, 61, 'J. Imin 28.62sec.
TOTE DOUBLE: Bright Decision,
Bold Jack, £111.00, TREBLE: Frierd
Laty, Royal Blend, Susset Value,
£10.78.

Bangor NH 2.15: 1. Old Sig (4-1 it fav); 2, pp (10-1); 3, Limner (4-1 it fav). 2.15: 1. 004 SMr (4-2 ft fav): 2. Rep (10-1): 3. Limaer (4-1 ft fav): 15 ren. 2.45: 1. SERRETON GREEN: (9-2): 2. Bersed Boy (10-1): 3. Parachute Pine (11-2): 10 ren. 3.15: 1. For Pinguis (100-30): 2. Sensy Chief (10-1): 3. Mr Savis (11-6 fax): 5 ran. 3.45: 1. Essteric (4-5): 2. Bore-Da III (9-2): 3. Ted's Lad (12-1): 11 rap. 3.45: 1. Esseric (3-5): 2. Sere-Da III (9-2): 5. Ted's Lad (12-1): 11 san, 9-2): 5. Ted's Lad (12-1): 1. True Prince (2-1 fav): 5. Matsukase (10-1): 12 ran, 13.5: 1. How Canely (4-1 it fav): 2. Miss Kijo (4-1): 3. Spirfing (16-1): 14 rap, Clydebank did not ran, Invergagle was withdrawn. Rule four applies.

2.15: 1. Twidale (5-2); 2. More Up (7-4 fav); 3. Hemilton Led (4-1). 8 2. Supreme Sail (8-1); 3. Wylam Roy (2-1; 7 ran. - 3.15; 1. Herry Enck (12-1); 2. Fasther Dodaney (12-1); 5. Stamwick Sovereign (6-4 Lav. 7 ran. - 3.45; 1. Lugus (1-1); 5. Herry Fellow (4-1); 2. Lugus (1-1); 5. Herry Fellow (11-6); 6. Herry Fellow (11-6); 6. Lugus (1-1); 7. Super Chart (11-8 Lav.; 3. Golden Expres (14-1), 9 ran. - 4.45; 1. Yes Yes Yes (4-5 free); 2. Falloden Felly (9-1); 3. Seactamethic (15-2), 15 ran. Goldeng did not run. Perth NH

Newton Abbot (NH) programme 2.15 GLENFARG HURDLE (Handicap: 5416: 2m) Pub Crawf., 8-11-5 Miss. Gircor 7
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Woodside Terrace. 6-11-0
McDomai 8
Hern Heed. 6-10-13 . Gottding 7
Robin John, 5-10-12 . Enths 7
Galadon., 11-10-10 . Stangan
Herrington, 5-10-5 . O'vell:
Spearside. 6-10-3 . Garner 7
Caimding. 6-10-2 . Mr Barclay
Brumfield's Boy, 7-10-0
Dobben 7 000 Westward Express, \$-11-5 000 Beam Spiriter, 3-10-9 Warmer 637 Halmahra, 3-10-" Leoch 00 The Duperdawn, 3-10-" Forser "4-5 Freedom's Foe, 7-2 Sliphnot, 9-2 Halmahra, 3-3 Wonov Tolks, 8-1 Genile Rose, 10-1 Kines, Talisman, 14-1 Sitter Orange, 16-1 others. | 13-T Siliter Orange, 10-1 billed | 13-1 bi 2.45 SPITTALFIELD CHASE 3.15 BUNTINGTOWERFIELD HURDLE (Handicap: £544:

3.1 Sky Tudor, 7-10-0 Stack
3-1 Sky Tudor, 7-10-0 Miss Office Chase (Handis Tollastury, 10-1 Proteins Choice.

3.45 ABERFELDY CHASE (£589: 3m)

Oop Corrythowe, 8-11-0 Dobbin 7 Oos Orngy, 6-11-0 Miss Office 7 Drumsen, 7-11-0 Miss Office 7 Drumsen,

(LNSY: JM)

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OSS Denis, 6-11-0 ... Lamb

OC Drumeen, 7-11-0 Miss Oliver 7

ppp Store Twine, 9-11-0 ... O'Nelli

Opp Store Twine, 1-11-0 ... Marson 7

SO2 Super Chant, 7-11-0 ... Marwins

11-10 Super Chant 3-1 Whitsuncelli, 7-11-0 ... Marwins

11-10 Super Chant 3-1 Whitsuncelli, 4-1 Denby, 8-1 Drumeen, 10-1

More Trume, 16-1 Stage Whitsper, 20-1 Corrytnowe. 4.15 BLAMGOWRIE HURDLE (£610: 2½m)

400 Sleck Street, 5,12.0 Mr Craess 5

600 Captain's Deel, 5-11-3

61 Lido Logend, 5-11-3 McDovgsi 3

620 Princess Nigbe, 5-11-3 McDovgsi 3

620 Princess Nigbe, 5-11-3 Mr Renderson

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622 Reproduct 5-11-3 Mr Renderson

6300 King Resy, 4-10-7 Mr Walton

640 Thrupence, 4-10-7 Mr Walton

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651 Steel Tuft, 6-1 Lido Legrad, 10-1

King Resy, 12-1 Thrupence, 11-1 Steel

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RURDILE (£608: 3m)

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2.15 (2.16) ALLHALLOWGATÉ MANDORAP (3-y-0; 21,054; 13-m)
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S. Jarvis (5-1), 1
Brancasier ... A Bond (13-1), 2
ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Penerala, 6-1
Bon-kow, 13-2 Marsheld Magle, 10-1
Sarvatoga Kid, 20-1 Vain Persoli, 25-1
Sateric, Padovarima, Easier Yon, 14(b), All Boy, 12 res.
TUTE: Win, 44p; places, 17p, 61p, 26p; dual forecast, 210.79, A. Jarvis, at Cowenty, 3-1, 51. (2-ye. 3649; St)

Qalloway Kaişkit, b g, by Fischio—
Raesgir (D, Shedden, 8-11

G. Sexton (15-2) 1

Hacker ... J. Seagrate (9-2) 2

Firemistrees ... B. Heddey (35-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Jav Stark (1-2)

Ramar Biade (4th., 12-1 Exerbined
14-1 Orimston Secret, 20-1 Federal's

Dream, Gloppyrope, Gold Fibre, 25-1

Brandan, Clock On, Derocatory, Fine
Cro., Janes Encestment, Victors Lat.,

TOTE: Win, 94p; places, 31p, 20o.

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-1-9; dual forecast, 63n, W. Hastings
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8-1 Greens, Parsao, 10-1 Decoy,
Lair, 19-1 Never For Me (41th), 20-1
tin and Ling, Mar's Importal, 53-1
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TOTE: Wim. 20: papers, 14p. 56s.
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a: Mellon Movement, 2, 1, 21,

PERTH: 2.15 Horn Head. 2.45 Old Stephen. 3.15 Le Gaulois. 3.45 Witsuncelli. 4.15 Firs Park. 4.45 Hill Point. Witches Broom, b. h. by Divings
GUI—Luprenc (J. Gibbs., 5-7-10
Luprenc (J. TOTE: N.m. C1 03: places. 37p. C2p. 18p: dual forecast, £5.84. J. Hardy, at Staunton, 21, hd.

4.45 (4.50) STONEBRIDGEGATE
STAKES (11.180: 1m) by Right
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3-3-6-6. B. Hagmond (4-6 July 1
Rary Weather ... J. Lawe (4-1) 2
April ... J. Bloadale (55-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-1 Sainthill, 16-1
Cidity Capilvo, 90-1 Nam'sello Marron Nice Va've (4-0). Nisbet-Anne,
Riock. 55-1 Astieds Ballson,
Cawlevel Warrior, Major Rama. Space
Talk, Stamad, Doubt- Venture, Sainth,
Wilspoan Hollow, Barry, Baylegate
Lov, Cantrin Poidrak, Cuidoden King,
Frenth Saint, Kings Singer, Sterling
Gloud, Northgate Lass, Rievaultz Abbey,
Treble Event, 28 ran.
TOTE: Win, 17p; places, 11p, 17o.

6.15 MARKEATON HURDLE (Div 1: 4-y-o: £438: 2m 1f)

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2.0 CHALLENGE CUP 4.30 CHALLENGE CUP HURDLE (Div I: Part I: £489: HURDLE (Div II: Part I: 2m 150yd) £487: 2m 150yd)

6.45 IRONGATE CHASE 7.15 HOLLAND FURDLE

HURDLE (Div II: Part II: £484 : 2m 150yd) E484: 2m 150yd)

OO.0 Barbary Stag, 6-21-5 ... Vebb 7

Guld Reight Colony, 7-11-5 ... Jenkins

Op Doone River, 6-11-5 ... Vebb 7

at at Colina, 6-11-5 ... Villame

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God Shella's Darling, 6-11-5 ... Valte

OO.0 Alla Reiter, 3-10-9 ... Jones

Rosaless, 4-10-9 ... Jones

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"Al Nut Brown Cours, 5-1 Aha

Reiter, 5-1 Legal Gifft, 9-1 Side

Oner Raby, Bright Colony, 10-1 Royal

Ring H. 12-1 Shella's Darling, 16-1

others. 7.45 KEDLESTON CHASE

8.15 ALLESTEE CHASE 6.0 CHALLENGE CUP HURDLE (Div III: Part II: £488: 2m 150yd) £488: 2m 150yd)

DOU Daloja, B-11-5. Mr Welter 7

203 Don Enro. 5-11-5 Mr Taylor 7

OO3 Goldenvilly, 5-11-5 Mr Taylor 7

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OO Dalost Touch, 6-11-5 Mr Taylor 8

O12 Street, 5-13-5 Mr Taylor 9

O12 Street, 5-13-5 Mr Taylor 9

O13 Street, 5-11-5 Mr Taylor 9

OO Trotas, 5-11-5 Mr Taylor 7

O Golde M, 4-10-9 Barler 9

O Golde M, 4-10-9 Barler 5-1

Rus d'Or, 5-1 Don Farlos, 8-1 Beni Street, 16-1 Coldenville, 13-1 Typina, 14-1 Nicolette, 16-1 others.

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Stratton has his fifth win

The Clyde Cruising Club's series for the Tomatin Trophy ended successfully at Tarbert in Loch Fyne in sunshine and light winds Fyne in sunshine and light winds yesterday.

The silver and black marble trophy was won by the half-comes designed by David Thomas; Hydro-Djinn, seeled to an impectable five firsts by Nicholas Stration, the Scottish agent for the class-Yesterday mucher of these blownup diagness. Hydrostar, from Ulster, won fourth prize in IOR Division B; being beaten by the Comer, Casey, whose owners come from Newcastle.

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threequarter towner, Pepsi, in the léader of Division A and in the four craiser classes the leader was the Holman-designed Seamas-ter 28 sloop, Hilvador, from Large.

Results: 10R. div A: 1, Popel (A, M. Milon): 2, Willwil (W. R. Ferguson): 5, Phula (A. B. Ferguson): 5, Phula (A. B. Karpades): 4, Sherpa (G. and C. Perry). 10R div B: 1, Hydro-Dirm (M. Stratton): 2, She She (M. J. Wrighti): 5, Caser (J. G. Artestrong and R. R. Shular): 4, Redroctor (F. f. Main): 5, Maygle 9thy (A. J. Findlay): Cruber class. 1 to 1V: 1, Factorium (P. Housam): 2, Hollow (E. H. Sherim); 5, Optication of Ashton (A. S. Soutar); 4, Hillandor (J. G. Rienston): 5₄ Limiten (A. C. Poole).

Hastings-Bass gets off to a fine start

The Newmarker-based William
Hastings-Bass, making a phenomenal start in his first season as trainer, made it eight winners when Better

Glazepta Rework, owners warshall, battled on tenaciously and just held on by half a length from Brancaster in the opening Allhallowate Handicap Stakes. a trainer, made it eight winners from 17 runners when Better Blessed got home by a neck from Stormy Summer in the Kirkgate Handicap Stakes at Ripon yester-

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The three-year-old, who provided the Coventry trainer, Alan Jarvis, with only his second winner of the year, cost 840 guineas as a yearling. Jarvis said:

This is the first time that Glazepta Rework has been fairly handicapped."

Galloway Knight, easy two and a half lengths winner from Hadera in the Westgare Selling Stakes, provided a tonic for his Wetherby trainer, Tommy Shedden, who has been taken ill. The eight-year-old is the first horse in training owned by Sbedden's two sons. David and Robert, who farm and run a haulage business just outside York, at Skipton.

Lauda fit to compete in Monaco event

Modena, May 17.—The former world champion driver. Niki Lauda of Austria, will be fit to compete on Sunday in the Monaco Grand Prix motor race, the Ferrari company said today. Lauda, who withdrew from the Spanish Grand Prix on May 8 with severe back pains, has been examined by a company doctor. Company doctor.

Ferrari said that Lauda's pain.

were caused by an old injury which had been aggravated by ins serious accident in West Germany last year. After resting for eight days Lauda was again in good physical condition, Ferrari said.

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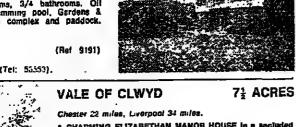
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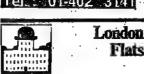
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mession of law. It ran on parallel lines in both contract and tort mail it neared the end of the jointhly. The lines diverged at the jointhly. In the case of breach of contract the court had to consider whether the consequences were of such a kind that a reasonable man, at the time of making the contract, would contemplate them as being of a very substantial degree of probability. In the case of a tort the court had to consider whether the consequences were of such a kind that a reasonable man, at the time of the tort, would foresee them as being of a much lower degree of probability. There was no doubt a difference between the two tests, but his Lordship found them difficult to apply universally to all cases. His Lordship found them difficult to apply universally to all cases. His Lordship found them difficult to apply universally to all cases. His Lordship found them difficult to apply universally to all cases this cause of action could be haid either in contract or tort.

It might enable one to keep affoat in those troubled waters if a distinction was introduced into the law of coptract between cases where a person had suffered only economic loss and cases in which damages were claimed for an garage, near services, 11 hours London. Offers Over £30,000 Ring 01-222 5738

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Hopper company to pay for pig losses

H. Parsons (Livestock) Lid v injury or damage actually dore to person or property or examine to person of the time of the t H. Parsons (Livestock) Ltd v injury or damage actually dore.

for breach of controct.

Mr Maurice Dreke, QC, and Mr.
Douglas Hogg for Parsons; Mr.
Christopher Bathurst and Mr. the appeal.

LORD JUSTICE ORR delivered a judgment concurring with that is judgment concurring with that is of Lord Justice Scarman.

The Rolls to the collection of the Rolls to the collection that the cases did not, in the Lordship's judgment, support of a distinction in law between lots of profit and physical damage.

Now was it necessary to develop the law judicially by crawing such a distinction. The type of can sequence—loss of profit or physical injury—would always be an important mether of fact in determining whether in all the cip cumstruces the loss or injury was of a type that the parties could reasonably be supposed in have had in continuplation.

The law which the House of Lords in Continued as the Bouse of Lords in Continued as senied was (1) the partie principle regulating damages for breach of contract be was, so far as money could do it, to be placed in the same shuation as if the contract had been performed; (2) the formulation of the remotency test was not the same in tort and in contract; and (3) to be recoverable in an action for damages for breach of contract, the ciping tiff's loss had to be such as

Anthony Boswood for Utiley

Christopher Bathurst and Mr Anthony Bosword for Unley Impham.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that Parsons (Livespock) Ltd. had a herd of mearly 700 pigs which they fed on special pignuts. In 1562 they bought a hig bulk feed storage hopper from the makers, Utiley Ingham & Co Ltd. It was a huge round metal bin the lid on top having a ventilator in it. The hopper was so successful that in 1971 Parsons ordered anniher. Utiley Ingham accepted the order in these terms: "We are very pleased to book your order for one bulk hopper exactly as supplied in 1968. Happer filted with ventilated top.

We deliver in an upright position on your prepared concrete base." On August 2, 1971, the makers delivered the hopper to the site but the delivery man left the ventilator closed. No one moticed the mistake because the ventilator was at the top of the hopper, 28 feet above ground. Parsons filled the hopper with pig nuts. On 5 september 28 s. small number of the nuts appeared mouldy. Parsons did not think that they would harm the pigs, so they went on feeding them. By October 9 there were more mouldy mats and some of the pigs were ill. They stopped feeding the pigs with nuts from the hopper. On Occuber 15 a representative from Utiley Ingham found the ventilator closed. That was the cause of the trouble.

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lator closed. That was the cause of the trouble.

But the effects remained. A large number of the pigs suffered an attack of E Coll and 254 pigs died. Parsons had also the expense of veterinary surgeons and lost sales. The total claim was over £20,000. The guestion was whether that damage was recoverable from the makers of the hopper or whether it was too remote.

The indue held that the implied

fect was unknown on even us-knowable.
The court's nesk was to decide, what loss to Parsons it was res-sonable to suppose would have been in the contemplation of the c parties as a serious possibility had they had the breach in mind when they made their contract. hopper or whether it was too remore.

Toe ladge held that the implied condition of section 14(1) of the Sale of Goods Acc, 1893, that the goods should be reasonably fit for the purpose, was an absolute warranty and that the seller was liable for all the damage of which the breach was a cause.

His Lordstip agreed that the severative in section 14(1) was absolute in the sense that if the goods were unit owing to a latent defect, which could not be discovered by any amount of care, nevertheless the seller was liable. But he was only liable under saction 53(2) for the estimated loss directly and maturally resplicing, in the ordinary course of events, from the breach of warranty.

Section 14(1), however, might not be really appropriate. The contract was divisible into two parts: the sele of the hopper and its erection. But even under the daty to use care in erecting the hopper Urdey Ingham would not be liable for all consequences. On should be breach in mind when they had the breach in mind when they made their contract.

Mr Drake had submitted that there were two contracts; one for the sale of a hopper and one for the sale of a hopper and one for the sale and delivery of a hopper with a wentlated nop reasonably fit for the purpose which Parsons had explained to Uttley higher. But the result had to be the same whichever way the contractual position was analysed.

The judge found that the unventilated hopper was a breach of a werranty that the hopper should be reasonably fit for storing pig mits in a condition sail able for feeding Parsons's pigs and that Parsons's loss was caused by the breach.

In his Lordship's judgment, the judge was right in making the symmethin of the parties saiding the symmethin of the parties saiding

duly to use care in erecting the hopper Urdey Ingham would not be liable for all consequences. On either view they were liable only for such damage at well not not remote in law.

The judge found that Utdey Ingham could reasonably contemplate (1) that the ventilator would remain closed while the hopper was in use; (2) that yie naturally in it would become mouldy; (3) that mouldy nots would be fed to the pigs; and (4) that there might be a shight, but not a serious possibility that the findity into would cause the pigs of become ill.

A. Remotenest of damage was a mession of law, it rem or parallel lines in both contract and tort noge was right in making the assumption of the parties saking themselves at the time of contract, not what was likely to happen it the tarts was likely to happen to the pigs if the hopper was unfit for storing nuts suitable to be fed to them.

for storing nuts suitable to be fed to them.

While, on the judge's fluding, nobody at the time of contract could have expected E Coil to easie from eating mouldy nuts, as a marker of common sense people would contemplate, on the hopper being units for storing the nuts, the serious possibility of injury and even death among the pigs.

His Lordship agreed with Mc-Gregor on Damages (13th ed. p 131) that "in contract as in tort, it should suffice that, if physical injury or damage is within the contemplation of the parties, recovery was not to be

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would have been in the contrapts, then of the parties as a serious possibility had diely armiton between the first occurred.

Two level releasing factocorred in Cramikon were section 53(2) of the Sale of Goods Act, 1333, and that in a breach of warranty case it did not matter if the defect was unknown or even missionwable.

physical injury or damage is within the contemplation of the parties, recovery was not to be limited because the degree of physical injury or damage could not have been anticipated. Though in loss of market or loss of profit cases the factual analysis would be very different from cases of physical injury the same principles applied. It did not master if the parties thought that the chance of physical injury, loss of profit, loss of market or other, loss was slight provided that, they contemplated as a serious possibility the type of consequence, not necessarily the specific consequence, that ensued on breach that the judge did, no more than common sense was needed for the parties to appreciate that food affected by bad storage conditions might well cause illness in the pigs fed on it. The appeal was dismissed.

Leave in appeal was granted on terms.

Solicitors: Elborne, Mitchell & Co; Herbert Oppenbasimer, Nathan & Vandyk.

Belfast killer is jailed for rest of his life

Tuled admissible

By Marcel Berlins

Three mental pasients at Broadmoor hospital have had complaints about their tened to a good sensitive by the European Commission on Human Rights at Stresbourg.

Between them, they had defined breaches at additional breaches at additional defined breaches at a being detained.

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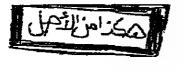
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Where does all this knowge and confidence come
in? Brom some personally
wed system? Mr Johnson
editor of the New Statesin the momentous years
ween 1965 and 1970 (cruel
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even a Socialist there is no ever a Socialist there is no lence here. We know he is common Catholic, but there is a to confirm that, either: ethics are certainly Christott it is a word he connously evoids using From wide reading, then? then? then? then? lore than all these, though, confidence springs from an exercity unshaken belief in olute morelity. The first of "new" Ten Commandity with which his sober emiad ends tells us to seert our belief in morel cittes. Right and wrong and where they shares did.

are always wrong. The third alignus that "democracy is the least evil and on the whole the most effective form of government, the only one to gnaran-ment, the only one to gnaran-tee the free and salubrious movement of individual enter-prise under the rule of law (axiom 4). Political, economic, cultural, physical and spiritual health feed one another for the good of all. The fifth command-ment summarizes the first form. ment summarizes the first four : at all times must the individual be asserted against the darkingclaims of the corporate state.

The sixth enshrines a theme sounded throughout the preceding 260 pages:

No one need feel ashamed of being tourseois the health of the middle class is probably the best index of the health of society as a whole; and any political system which persecutes its middle-dass sistematically is unlikely to remain either free or prosperous for long. Excellent A belief in free-

Excellent. A belief in freedom is the seventh commandment, "freedom" being peither the same as the mythical equality nor, as Lenan contemptibly called it, "a bourgeois invention". The eighth is to use our lenguage precisely and with meaning; the ninth, most interestingly, to grust science, and the last enjoins us to pursue truth with reason, for of such has all civilized society been, made.

This "New Deuteronomy" ("People ought to be modester", as Carlyle said to William Allingham) is tacked on to the two main sections of the book: six chapters reviewing the

two main sections of the book:

"ix chapters reviewing the
switchback-history of Western
civilization in terms of the
-presence or absence of the
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calls the "Fasciet Student Left"
is merely the enemy in the is merely the enemy in the

offices. Sight and words is increasy to strong at an and where they always did, open perfect opposition. The Particular offenders against ond commandment follows, humanity include Kant, for a cartain sots, like marder, making obscurity intellectually

respectable; Franz Fenon and respectable; Franz France and Sartre, for their indifference to bunan life; Paul Tillich for condoning the destruction of society as a moral act, and H. J. Eysenck, R. D. Laing and Claude Lévi-Strauss for destroying the old distinctions between the criminal and the law. the criminal and the law-abiding the mad and the same, the civilized and the savage. Ruskin invented "the inne-cent eye", thus saving the artist (a matter of small importance, it seems) but initiating a whole century of mounting indulgence and meaninglessness in the visual arts, culminating in the divorce of modern art

in the divorce of modern art from modern society: Johnson illustrates with an inconclusive contrast of Goya's Third of May and Bacon's Pope-Cardinals. Schoenberg's "tragedy" was more dramatically obvious, although to give the impression that everything composed after Pierrot. Lungive is barely tolerated by a heatile musically public is to ignore totally. public is to ignore totally Stravinsky, Prokofiev, Shosta-kovich and Britten. Stockhausen attracts huge young audiences who cannot be there purely out of tribal instinct or because they have never heard Brahms. But, egain, there is no room for doubt

for doubt.

It is one of Mr. Johnson's more illuminating insights that properly functioning politics preclude the need for wiolence, and it is disappointing that he does not pursue this into the trisis of credibility in government itself which is one of the roots of our present condition. Neither does he sufficiently examine the effects of traxation, sexual freedom (and its absence) nor the role of Nazi Germany in pushing permissibility further than it had ever gone in modern times, standing accepted morality on its head not in private, but on the streets and in the squares, with a deceptive shout or a reassuring grin. Indeed Mr. squares, with a deceptive shout or a reassuring grin. Indeed Mr. Johnson sticks doggedly to his selected field of ideas—freedom, the middle class, the rule of law, etc.—assembling them with humanity and skill. He makes no great imaginative leap into constructive self-defence or counter-revolution, but as a partial synthesis, of danger at head Enemies of Society may yet encourage Society may yet encourage writers and thinkers who might.

Michael Ratcliffe oks next week; on Monday, Jan Morris on The Treasures of Oxford, by David Piper. On ursday; Michael Ratcliffe on Children of the Sun, by Martin, Green; The Diplomass, by offrey Moorhouse, reviewed by E. C. Hodgkin; Iversith McDonald on Roosevelt and urchill, 1939-41, by Joseph P. Lash.



National Front supporters at the Stechford

At first hand

The Fields of War

A young cavalryman's Crimea Edited by Philip Warner (John Muray, £5.95)
More first-hand news from the Crimea, which makes an interesting comparison with Mr William Russell's dispatches to William Russell's inspaction to The Times. These latters come from 22-year-old Richard Temple Godman of the 5th Dragoon Guards, who has spent the better part of two years facing the fierce soldiers and fiercer elements of Russia. fiercer elements of Russia. Those who might still believe that the rankers have borne all while their officers retired from battle to luxury must revise their ideas in the light of these letters. The regi-mental officers have shared all mental officers have shared an the hunger, privation, exposure and illness (especially cholera) suffered by their men—and fearful sufferings they have been. Equipment, clothing, food—and fuel have been

food and fuel have been in short supply for the greater part of the campaign; or else they have been of the wrong kind or poor quality. Casualties among horses and men, due to inept command and indifferent commisseriat, have matched those brought about by enemy action; and so-called "hospital" conditions have been generally indescribable.

able.
For a year or more after

Fiction

By Patricia Highsmith

The Abandoned Woman

By Richard Condon

The Squire of Bor

By Chaim Bermant

Everything is so normal at the

start of Edith's Diary. Edith is married to Brett. They have a son called Cliffie.

He is causing them a few prob-lems, but nothing serious. They live in New York. They are about to move to Pennsyl-

Edih is happy. Bren is happy. But what of Chiffie? He is moping in his bedroom, listless, friendless and buried in

the fantasy world of his comics.

Edith burries through the last

Edith harries through the last minute packing.
Suddenly she hears a strange growling noise. She dashes into the bedroom. She finds Chiffie trying to smother the cat.
Thus the first hint that a life which seems to be so controlled and orderly is to be ripped apart, exposed to its erresming nerve ends and

streaming nerve ends and finelly fatally stricken.

Miss Highsmith is a writer of intense subtley.

This story of the disintegration of Edith Howland is bundled with a deadpan delignment of the contraction of the contracti

cacy that carries you along placedly and contentedly until

you begin to shiver and dis-cover that Miss Highsmith has

plunged you into whirloools of

conflict and cataracts of dis-

diary.

Chiffie, growing up in the America of Vietnam and Rixon,

fails dismally at everything he

for him in her dizry a brilliant career, a charming wife and two sparkling children.

her to marry'a younger weman, leaving behind his bed-ridden

and demanding uncle. In her diary she kills him off.

Her aunt dies. Her friends

begin to desert her. She loses

her job. Wilder and wilder grow the entries in her diary. She is

Her husband walks out on

pensare Edith invents

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Edith begins to hie to her

(Allen & Unioin, £4.50)

Edith's Diary

(Heinemann, £4.50)

(Huchinson, £3.95)

Schachor ...

Balaclava, Godman and his comrades have continued to endure battles, disease, the weather, and the neglect of leaders and contractors. These letters are intensely evocative in what they say and what they leave implicit. Godman emerges as a quiet, courageous, humane officer with a considerable areak of mingled humans and irraweance. His derable streak of mingled humour and irreverence. His sword-hand account of the Charge of the Heavy Brigade—every bit as bold as that of the Light Brigade, and immensely more significant militarily—has never been bettered. The reader is left marvelling anew at the almost unhelievable feat of genting half-starved, badly clothed, disease-ridden men on to half-starved, disease-ridden horses at all; let alone getting them into a brilliantly successful charge uphill against three times their number of Russian cavalry (who have spent the cavalry (who have spent the rest of the campaign sedu-lously avoiding further close encounters with their British opposite numbers).

The last sentence of the final letter from this engaging young man to his father epitomizes the heart-cry of the fighting soldier through the ages: "Please get up my plain alother ages are when I ages: "Please get up my plain clothes to rig me out when I arrive..."

Laurence Cotterell

ssible to a wide public. In his first collection of t stories for seven years, reveals strengths and weakes, at his best as in ink Entire: Against The iness of Growds. about fallure to take a final

nce, he has a poeric ency which is breathtaking, is worst he is of a whimsipoesy such as is poured
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lictable conceit the cons of which we know will be hings to all men; impropa-is for an ingratisting land good writing ", may be that some of his kets, such as "Penchouse"

"Playboy", require this icular tone, although such surpled prose seems pallid des the glowing susterity
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tions make the use of ob- to see that he does justice to a rechnologies immediately us as well as himself. Mindbridge by Joe Haideman (Macdonald & Jane's, £3.95). Barth's intersteller colonizers known as the Tamers find & left-over biological game which can link minds an ESP amplifier which helps them to contact and make peace with superior powers. Hardboiled style nearly contrasts with neuroninearly contrasts with neuroti-cally-scrambled passions of

> adventure. edging into fantasy, but always, a mine too probable. The Kings of the Sea, for instance, about Nordic monsters of the deep, is told with a deceptive casualness which litres one into a pouncing last line as into a sudden trap of

values, by an author new to me, it tries to assess yet again to be beard from again.

In defence of savages

Omai 'Noble Savage' By Michael Alexander (Collins/Harvill, £5.95)

Don't cant in defence of savages" said Doctor Johnson to Boswell In the states and seventies of the eighteenth concurry all fashioneths London was carring in defence, or rather, in admiration of savages. Rationalism was on the way out, Romanticism was the in thing, and Rousseau's views on the evils of civilisation and the virues of "the state and the virtues of "the state of nature" were a favourite topic in polite intellectual circles. The stage was set for the appearance of "the noble cles. The stage was set for the appearance of the noble savage in the person of Omai, a young Polynesian whom Captain Cook picked up in Tahiti during his 1772-1774 voyage in the Pacific and sent to England on board the ship Advantage. DOM:

For a wonder London society was not disappointed by Omai who seems to have lived up to every pre-conceived notion of the noble savage Presented to George the Third and Queen Charlotte, painted by Reynolds and other artists, entergained at the country houses of noblemen such as Lord Sandwich, taken to balls; Lord Sandwich, taken to balls, the arres and race-meetings, the impression he made was almost invariably a favourable one. That active observer, Fauny Burney, declared that "he appears to be a perfectly rational and intelligent man with an understanding far superior to the common race of us cultivated gentry." Popular as Omai was with the leaders of society he was no ular as Omai was with the leaders of society he was no respecter of persons. Fanny gives a delighmul account of his encounter with the fascinating but slatternly Duchess of Devonshire who was walking in the Park with curls unpinned, shoes down at heel and clothes all awry— Omai wentup to her and asked her why she let her hair go in that she let her beir go in that manner?—Ha, ha, ha ! Don't you laugh at her having a les-

In 1777 Omai returned to Tahiti, where he behaved less dmirably than he had done in London, and he is believed to have died there two or three years later. Mr Alexander's book gives an attractive if rather indefinite this noble savage indefinite picture of toble savage as seen the eyes of his through English contemporaries. What would have been still more interesting but what it cannot do because Omai had no means of expressing himself, is to record the impression which eight-centh-century London made upon a Polynesian.

lon (Canongare, £4.75). Mr Shyllon is a Nigerian who has made himself something of an authority on the history of ala-very. In this book he has ly forgoned figure—the Rev James Ramsay, a Scottish cler-gyman, born in 1733; who was one of the leading lights in the early stages of the movement

It is remarkable how Miss Highsmith treats an essentially simister subject with such low-key calmness. There are no stylistic fire-

plot.
The secret is the intensity of her vision. Miss Highsmith probes to the very core of her heroine with a controlled ferocity and single-mindedness that illumines every page of the novel.

It is a mesterly book, a haunting book, a book which lingers on long in the memory and con-stantly disturbs and delights. Mr Condon is operating on another plane.

He has taken a dip into the historical novel and produced a book about the tempestuous marriage of Caroline of Bruns wick to the Prince of Wales.

It's a lively story right enough. There are enough scandals in it to make Watergate seem like a nursery prank. The principal characters are extravagant in temperament and eccentric in action. There are moments of fine knockabout

The trouble is that Richard Condon attacks this material with a flailing hatchet; so different from the delicately honed scalpel of Miss Highsmith.

Here the style is flamboyant and exotic, rushing at breakneck pace in the present tense. It's a style that at first irritates, later exhausts and finally to tally infuriates.

The Squire of Bor Schachor is a much more homely dish The plot is simple. Bor Schachor is a settlement in Israel Celeste and Henry move out from England and set up ne there.

They get hopelessly entangled in the local politics and Henry becomes mayor.

It's a fascinating and intriguing examination of small town Israel and contains a great deal of genuine high

quality very comedy.

The dialogue is beautifully sharp, and the characters are carefully developed and skilfully drawn. What stops it from being a very good book is the irritating

device of telling the story through letters. It seems so mannered and so Mr Bermant has such a

colourful array of characters and such an interesting subject matter that it seems almost sinful to put them at risk through a stylistic mannerism. However, that apart, it's an excellent book and gave me

Peter Tinniswood

much enjoyment.

The protest vote?

The National Front By Martin Walker

(Forstana, £1) tion It was an implement and wituperative campaign. From the back of a van, Mosley's heachman, Jeffrey Hamm, delivered himself of a diatribe about West Indians, with espe-cial reference to their sex lives, Mosley followed with a cioudy vision of worldwide

Intermiment sentences descended from the cloud; to grab the audience's attention: and in these passages, Mosley's voice was an echo of Hamm's. But as I turned to leave, it was Hamm-increasingly annoyed at my note-taking—who yelled: "Go back to Jerusalem, Sheenie". Which, for a mere renegade Primitive Methodist, was a double baptism into the oratory of race.

Like many people, I expected Mosley to do well in that election. North Kensington was then at its crummiest. Mosley seemed to touch a local nerve of response. In the event he got only 2,821 votes.

This was, of course, 2,821 too many. But it did immunize me against easy panic about such parties, Martin Walker's very thorough study of the National Front does not shake that. Like many marginal parties—both left and sight of the National both left and right—the NF has always, in its 10 years of life, been about to do well. So far, however, it has not. This year's council elections were a set-back, not a gain. Even the Communist Party, in the days when there was not much to be said for its cringing Stallnism, got an MP or so elected. The NF is not even in hat league.

Walker's narrative makes me doubt if it ever could be. But he does not, despite much fresh and detailed material, quite answer this point. His is very much a reporter's book; finally a bit cagey about opinion; concerned with the trees, or even the undergrowth,

Curiously, from this very idiosyncratic introduction, there comes across a stronger One of my first journalistic introduction, there comes across a stronger impression of Walker than he ever conveys to us of any of these denizers of the undergrowth. For his is a very these denizens of the under-growth. For his is a very political book, in the sense that it is chiefly about the to and fro of factional manoeuvre. I sometimes got lost. But generally the exposition is very good. Mosley and that 1959 campaign come into the "pre-history" of the NF. So do the League of Empire Loyalists and the British National Party—the two main components of the original National Front, launched in

> But the National Front, which has grabbed all the publicity openings available to Tyndall, an introverted fanatic, and Martin Webster, an ebullient one. Walker gives us too little about these men's psychology. He does, however, give us

ominous quotations from John Tyndall's equivalent of Mein Kampi—Six Principles of British Nationalism; and some chilling ones from Tyndall's earlier and out-of-print The Authoritarian State. From impulse was anti-semitic. Black and brown immigrants were an alternative line in scapegoating.

Walker, I'm glad to say, does not glibly disparage all those who vote for the NF. Undeniably, the NF often seizes on real grievances—lack of work, poor housing, a feeling of helplessness before the big bureaucracies of management and state—but gives them a racial form.

Time and again Walker makes it clear that the NF's

best recruiting sergeants have been others. First, and most crucially, the mistaken libertar-ian ideal of expecting working class and lower middle class Britzia to absorb a larger immigration than it had ever done; the likely problems were insufficiently considered. wery much a reporter's book: finally a bit casey about opinion; concerned with the trees, or even the undergrowth, but not the wood.

Indeed, like any good reporter, Walker feels a debt to his subjects, and so tries to distance himself by an extraordinary sentence or two in his introduction in which he cites done: the likely problems wert insufficiently considered. Second, the political opportunities of those who saw the pentiup frustration this provoked. And third, probably, the lunacies of General Amin.

The left have been busy harassing the NF ever since it was launched. But this seems to have sad little effect, one way or the other. You could

even argue that the clashes have given the NF publicits it would otherwise never have got, and a chance (as at Red Lion Square) to seem the more "responsible" body of

marchers. In its general doctrines, the NF is hard to pin down. Often it, too, seems opportunistic. But it can ger close to lumpen-Marit can get close to lumpen-Mar-xism. Take this passage, quoted by Walker from an NF leaflet on the Ugandan Asians: If the British have to worry about fighling for a job (. .), and ore occupied in trying to get decent housing (. . .), they will not have time to think about how the Internation Big Business Estab-lishment is robbing them with such gigantic swindles us the Common Market. The International Markist Group could have penned that.

Group could have penned that. However, the words I omitted are: "In the face of cheap immigrant labour" and "in competition with teeming millions of immigrants". That sounds like the authentic NF

Though Walker shuns general interpretation, he has a eral interpretation, he has a santalizing (because rather good) last chapter which tries to locate the NF within Britain's present political and cultural strengths and weaknesses. I think I judge the existing social system to be tougher than he does: more able to ride out the stunted philosophy ride out the stunted philosophy of John Tyndall. But Walker's book is a powerful reminder of the diseases (not the symp-toms) we must tackle.

The diseases are not racism among the British public generally (time, and example, and occasionally law, are the best cure there). Nor the NF isself (which should be left to its own masturbatory devices). They are: unresponsive government, especially at local level: derelict cities; unem-ployment; and galloping gigan-tism in all areas of life.

So far it seems unlikely that the NF bas ever had more hope that remains so. But us also give fewer grounds for protest. Tyndall's crew has already done much better for votes than Mosley did in 1959. Presumably encouraged, I see that some time over the last few years. Mosley have that had in years, Mosley has put back in his Who's Who entry, the proud note: "Founded British Union of Fascists, 1932."

Paul Barker

On Friday May 27 there will be 16 pages of Summer books, including among the reviews, Michael Ratcliffe on The Oxford Literary Guide to the British Isles, Travel Books reviewed by Jan Morris, Melvyn Bragg, Dilys Powell, Sir William Haley: Roger Baker on Cookery Books, Roy Hay on Gardening, Children's Books reviewed by Jacky Gillott, Charles Causley, Brisn Alderson.

Spoliation

The Rape of the Nile Tomb robbers, Tourists and Archaeologists in Egypt

By Brian M. Fagan

(Macdonald & Jane's, £6.95). Professor Fagan's main theme Professor Fagan's main theme is treasure-hunting in Egypt from Pharaonic times down to the present day, but his special interest is the truly massive spoliation which took place in the first half of the nineteenth century. This incidentally led and jerks of to a much stricter control of their antiquities by the Egyptian authorities; and eventually to the birth of scientific excevation. A fascinating story, well told and beautifully illus-

> The word rape implies a certain amount of unwillingness on the part of one party, but the tragedy of Egypt in the nineteenth century was the quently displayed by the "vic-tim". Sexual metaphors seem to lend themselves to archaeology, and some readers will recall with relish the words of a Lebanese collector a few years ago that he had wasted his youth amongst whores and archaeologists.
> Tomb and temple robbing

seems to have been almost national sport in Egypt from very early times, motivated by a lust for gold. But the tempo was vastly accelerated and the scope enormously widened at the end of the eighteenth cen-tury by the French forces of occupation. After the French came the phenomenal Giuseppe very large part in this book.

Belzoni started life as circus Strong Man under the name of the Patagonian Sampson, but he was also something of an engineer. His career eventually took him to Egypt with a scheme to revolutionize Egyptian agriculture by means Egyptian agriculture by means of a new type of waterwheel, but through no fault of his own he failed to get it adopted. So he changed his profession again and became a purveyor of Egyptian sculptures to a Europe which was beginning to show interest in such things. His vast physical strength and his knowledge of engineering put him well engineering put him well shead of his rivals and a trenendous quantity of large and important statues passed through his hands into those passed of European museums and col-lectors. The loss to Egypt and

to knowledge was of course prodigious, and others were quick to follow where he led. But scholars were beginning to come too, and to deplore this wholesale destruction Champollion, the decipherer of the Rierorghyphs, led the counter-attack. He was followed by others, including Mariette, and (a much greater

man) Gaston Maspero. And in

the end true archaeology was introduced by Flinders Petrie. In every country with a his toric past, archaeology has been preceded by treasure hunting, and Egypt's story differs from the others only in the amount and the sheer bulk of the loot. We think we know better now. But future generations will probably condemn our excavations which fall short of the high standards demanded; and they will cer-tainly condemn the greed of dealers, curators and collectors which to this day keeps the tomb robbers in a high degree

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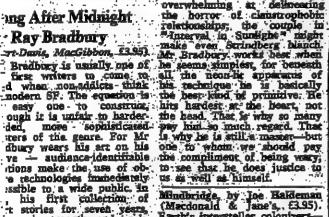
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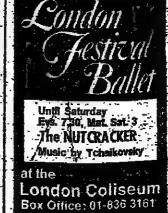


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The inclusion of women into this male paradise was, as always in British life, a masterpiece of love-hate between the sexes. If the club would accept Mr Welsh's daughter as an honorary member, he would support the club and what was more donate his ponyroller for flattening purposes. Excited to madness by this profligate offer of a piece of sound agricultural machinery, the committee Tinlin (top) putting hauled it down to the present site of the All England Club, the final touches to the group built the place around it, and of life size Golden Oldies in then found when the tractor era hit them (latish, I suspect) the Wimbledon Lawn.Tennis that they could not get the Museum which opens thing out. The pony toller is tomorrow. From left to now a revered kindmark for right—the figures—selected visitors-more revered perhaps than the women who finally after a lot of anxious head

club was born.

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a trouserless Renshaw would

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taken by Ted Tinling at the

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A main source of that delta was Harry Gem, who established the first lawn tennis club in Lean-ington in 1872. Wingfield's court was hour-glass shaped but, says Tony Cooper, curator of the museum and nephew of Mrs Sterry, who won the singles title live times "the court could be adapted to the state of the turf and the skill of the play-ers". It was rectangularised in 1877 but the overall dimensions entally Mrs Sterry who thought one should play in a nest waistband and hat, but she must have been enchanting. She was

concentration. Her name was Charlotte, her pet name Charty. She bicycled dashingly over from Surbiton to Worple Road, won the championship, pedalled

to allow women to compete for a championship, their play was discreetly relegated to a private club. It was all to do with husbands and fathers and bothered. This is why they wore white, because it does not show perspiration, and they wore black shoes with red India-rubber soles because one could not be seen to be soiled. even about the feet. Beatrix Potter's comments about the kittens "and when they got there were several green smears" after all has a childtributed one guines as an earnest of their faith and the. bood connexion for some even

> Women's fashion for tennis
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> years were primarily to please
> men. Hence the neat and amusing (and wildly uncomfortable)
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> in the louche Edwardian era
> by the guipure collar, which
> Ted Tinling has put onto Mrs
> Lambert Chambers so rightly,
> and the softer silhouette. By and the softer silhouette. By 1909, the liberation year of Poiret, both women finalists at Wimbledon appeared in a vee neck. Freedom came with the functional chic of Chanel, and was exemplified by Leaglen, the first glamour sports star.
> Ted Tinling's only, fashion
> nous gap is just how Lenglen
> tied the legendary bandeau.
> But he is in no doubt about the crucial psychological turns. the panies, coloured embroid-ery the girls feel they want, it's all to do with confidence and vibes " says the man who was ejected from Wimbledon for 27 years after the row over the lace on Gussie Moran's ponts. "Helen Whightman had

Ted went back over the sacred threshold recently to record for the BBC the cen-tennial thoughts about Wimbledon. He is, after all, the sile designer to become famous for dressing tennis players.

If dress began with social necessities, it has certainly moved with topical fashion into being an expression of individual personality. "None of the girls want to look alike" banished is the wrong word, he loves the place but anyway exiled, he travels into New

expresses the personality of its

stellar parron.

But the psychological aspect has siways been paramount and it is perhaps because he is such a sympathetic and generous personality - that - Ted has crossed all sorts of age and nationality barriers. After all, the great final in 1919, Chambers against the baby (born 1899) Lenglen, Chambers led to two match points. "Bit you can't believe how submissive the women were to the men in those days", says Tinling, "and Mrs Chambers had always been cold by the sensitivities offended by unjacketed males; for it is the
firm conviction of Ted Tinling,
the greatest living expert on
dress for sport, that the club,
originally for croquet and then
expanded to tennis, was founded responsible for inculcating this idea. She thought, I'll show him, and hit to Surame's forehand, Surame, product of the war on the Riviera filled with convalescing officers to whom her father had said voulez vous jouer avec ma fille? "
touched the foreband with the
tip of her racquet and the
ball rolled over the net. 'A
classic crise de confience. If

Mrs Chambers had been dressed by Ted Tinling, as has been Billie Jean King to name Women's fashion for tennis but a few, in equally tight cir-cumstances would her glance never have strayed? My guess is that the figure n the Wimbledon Tennis Museum, which have been lov-

crowd. An artist with a true sense of the dramatic. She was heartiful . . " with a long, crooked nose, irregular

ascention sway from dozens of women far prettier or even ordinary way make quite fashionable women appear just a little dull beside her, if not actually downly. For an ugly girl she had more chann and

a long, crooked nose, irregular teeth, sallow complexion, and eyes that were so neutral that their colour could hardly be determined. It was a face in which hardly anything was right. And yet, in a drawing room, this housely gal could dominate everything, taking the attention away from dozens of says the man who dresses the another. She could, in an extra Virginia Slims circuit players; ordinary way make quite banished to Philadelphia— (ashionable women appear inse deal—"never heard the ball York on the evening train to vivacky than a hundred presty agth coat was in "petits" bounce " says Mr Cooper— get a short length of some girls you might meet." All which might have helped her special fabric from Macey's or well, hope for us all. . . .

ingly and accurately dresser by Ted Tinling, walk arouse ad verse comment. First, the selection of only six emong so many greats must be difficult, but it is defended by the very out it is defended by the very realistic view that once you get into modern times, you lay yourself open to a lot of con-licting opinions. As for those extraordinary fimishes to the face, and less than satisfactory hands, on the models, the final comment must rest with those exhumed for me by Ted Thilling exhumed for me by Ted Tinling. Both are about Mile Lengton sure to be a most controversial figure, even if Helen Wills is has dressed her in just such has dressed her in just such orange) or Al Laney, in Covering the Court, published by Simon and Schuster in 1968, "Lengton, a Latin and an activate to her fingertips was slender almost supple program. slender, almost supple, marvel-lously, graceful and full of accompanying acrobatics calculated to bring cheers from the

To Budapest with

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The London Hungarian State Symphony Orchestra engaged Orchestra, and is regularly wished by first-class foreign orchestras, and the applance for the LSO concert was, so my musical Budapest friends state they were giving of meetrs under Claudio orchestras, and the applance for the LSO concert was, so my musical Budapest friends said exceptionally fervent by local standards.

Tours, orchestral and company alike, are acknowledged to be good for corporate morale and acknowledgement of corporate increases of the orchestra meets only for releases or

galf me with impressions of cintavels so far.

Insudapest's Erkel Theatre, insudapest's Erkel Theatre, we reassuring to find the concerts were given, as reassuring to find the concerts of the standards.

Insurant Percent variations is a good idea of the tonal acteristics of the LSO's vidual sections, the violins maise especially intense and liant, but each variation distive in quality of sound and phrasing and weight of were most compulous ughout, even verging on a ineast unnatured to the ic which, in the truest intense intenses unnatured to the concerts of the instruments asserved, not of any single, rior creative personality, ravinsky's 1919 Firebird was given a particularly and satisfying performance.

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ed with the LSO, well wn to audiences in countries ed during this tour, and a distinctive in their osches to an orchestre and epertory, thus ensuring that ra epproaches each ert freshly, without danger ecoming bored or contine. meant that is Previn's one Abbado had to conduct concerts in Budapest, are the repetition of Beetho-Seven, neither performance the same. The LSO likes ing with Abbado not only use he is a thorough proonal, his authority tended by a lively sense of our, but because no two of performances are alike: he urages an orchestra to take ("a smell of danger gets adrenalin flowing, and su sall play better", one LSO was saying). In that Budapest concert the

Budapest concert the noven's Emperor Concerto the young Hungarian pianist Zoltan Kocsis on this page by my col-te Joan Chissell). His per-sance was described to me ost pagnacious in the outer ements, exquisitely lyrical te Adagio. Kocsis recently ad an anti-Communist maniand et the concert the sales for the last government box re-

had been the chinax of a planist to play Lisat and your so far; they had played Brahms with equal conviction best and found the recept and animenticity, chough in a country famous for its stronger personality may be feal traditions, most well needed where a whole string department, all affecting the smartest, often favish, cerned.

The budgest additions are rest of the orchestra, it constructs that the property of the orchestra, it constructs that the property of the orchestra, it constitutes the property of the orchestra. William Mann

the orchestra disagreed with collegenes about the character and efficiency of individual perand efficiency of individual per-formances; they only agreed, even veterar orchestral tourists, that this was the best organized tour in their experience and probably, musually difficult, with changes of conductor, pro-grammes and players reoutired. Two days earlier Kubelik had conducted Brahms Four with the Berlin Philhamonic. The LSO Davis too perhaps thook in their collective shoes, but the performance was raptu-rously received, and et least

the performance. Was rapud-rously received, and et least one Berkin critic preferred it. The long and demanding pro-gramme that I heard in Buda-pest could only be brought off arhigh quality; because the LSO can draw on two co-principals exacting solos for oboe can be shared between Roser Lord and Anthony Camden, for example, neither less sensitive nor less in each department. Long and virtuoso than the other, as first flute, first clarinet and first horn, each department led by a virtueso of world class with a co-principal similarly

The co-principal leaders of the orchestra give particular interest to the LSO's concerts. They are friends, respect each other, but favour a string sound of oute different character, Neville Taweel perhaps more robust, John Georgadis more re-fined; whoever leads can posisuggests musical schizophrenia, it is no more peculiar than for



Jenny Lipman and Vladek Sheybal

Shylock and postwar Zionist terrorism

Variations on The Merchant of Venice Open Space

back in the Tottenham Court Road cellar, now sumptuously improved. It is another low room, with a raised audience looking down on actors at floor level. But the temperature is no longer sweltering, and in place of the old foam rubber mountain there is a hamisphere of seats enclosing an acting area of almost equal depth and vying in comfort with the jetage pews of St George's, Tufnell Park (the best theatre seats in London). London).
For an outfit of such limited resources, the place is an estources, the place is an estources, the place is an estourcing example to the theare at large.

Towards the opening production, the latest of Charles Marowitz's Shakespearism cutures, my response is a good deal

for Marowitz to get to work on Shylock ever since he afflicted Othello with a hysterically funny Broax father in-law.

funny Bronx father in law.

The Merchant has one of those unsatisfactory, morally queasy plots which invite modern adaptation, in which Marlowe's Barabas is also clamouring to be included.

Variations: duly couples Shakespeare's Semaic realism with the brutality and anti-Christian saure of The Jew of Malta, wrapping up the whole thing as a fable on postwar Zionist terrorism. Framed within a newscast of the bambing of the King David Hotel, the production opens with Shylock uttering a solemn declaration of vengennes over a corpse

One perennial interest in

That is particularly so with an interpretation as precise in an interpretation as an interpretation and callo in interpretation and callo interpretation as precise in interpretation as precise in interpretation as precise in interpretation as precise in interpretation as interpretation as precise in interpretation as interpretation a however, the contrapuntal inge-nuities of the eighth variation flowed a limb too smoothly: there is no need to hide such bright lights under a bushel. It was well in accord with

Amadeus Quartet Queen Elizabeth Hall

stening to the Veristinus with

the advantages of hindright (a

legitimate critical sid), one

William Mann

Among the many series Beethoven concerts which are commemorating the composer's death 150 years ago, the Amadeus Quartet's leasurely cycle of all the string quartets might have seemed the most predictable. Have not the Amadeus played them for us, in and our of season, these 30 years in concerts and broadcasts and on records? Tuesday's programme found : them in far from routine form. They began with Op 18 No 6 in B flar which some scholars

have assumed, on internal evi-dence, to be the first of all Beethoven's string quartets; and they began it pugnaciously, the choppy accompaniment well to the fore and the principal theme, cello answering first violin, audaciously robust, even deficut in outline and accent. It was not the polished execution of a group that has resolved all the work's difficulties but in the present agreement of the solved all the work's difficulties. but 'a fresh exa young Beethoven's bravado and

The movement proceeded with the same urgent response to each musical event; at the reaccompaniment returned still lively but now nearly outlined and cleanly balanced, the conflict resolved. So it was, after the florid, elegant Adagio (in which only the leader's idiosyn-William Mann sharpened with a bite that sometimes turns into a rasp),

catches slimpers of many facers of the symphonies that were so come.

That is particularly so with

when the Scherzo strived full of boisterous cross rhythms and noisy sforzandi. The finale elso was never taken for granted but was never taken for granted our pungently projected with deshing staccatos and a nervous energy only just under control.

After the interval came the shird Razumovsky quartet in C, the first movement again robust with some gricty tone and distribute account the and disturbing accents Andante beautifully poised and inflected (the intonation of the cellist's plucked bass often per plexed my ears), the fugal very fast, endusiastic, and per-fectly clean. In between was the last quartet of all, Op 135 in F whose quintical comedy extends beyond the "Most it be?" finale to all four move

There was plenty of spirited humour in the reading of the Scherae and the finale but also scrience and the mate but also much serious searthing everywhere, in the first movement, taken quite steadily, as well as in the marvellous slow movement which was treated family and movingly as the most serious part of an evening's music-making.

George Devine Award This year's George Devine Award has been shared by two playwrights: Robert Holman and Stephen Lowe, who each receive £750. Mr Holman's award is for his play Garman Skerries which was presented at the Bush Theatre, Mr Lowe's is for a new play Lowe's is for a new play, Touched, which will be given its first performance at the

Photograph by Donald Cooper

Irving Wardle
For old clients of this management, it is quite a shock to walk into the new Open Space (303-307 Euston Road). At first glance, it seems that we are back in the Tottenham Court

RPO/Dorati Festival Hall:

whole plot may take a new direction. As Shylock approaches Amonio across the courroom floor, it is quite possible that he will stick the knife in. I leave you to dis-cover whether he does, but in general my disappointment is that too little has been dene to transform the text. Instead of any detailed redistribution

of speeches and episodes, Marowitz is too often content to let the play flow along its usual course, making his own comment through pantomine and playing against the lines. His one big stroke of invention is Bassanio (Ian Collier) disguising himself as the rival summs (with particular success. as a Charles Boyer Arragón) so as to win Portia by sheer trickery. The spectacle of Thelma Holt, facing out front with tears of love streaming down her face as he reads out the winning scroll with unctions mock sincerity, is extremely affecting. But what on earth does it mean, as Portia elsewhere is characterized as a lock uttering a solemn declaration of vengeance over a corpse
on a stretcher, and then proceeds to restructure Shakespeare so as to present Shylock
as the controlling intelligence.
It is now part of his scheme,
for instance, that Jessica should
clope with Lorenzo; and with
his heavily aimed Irgun bodyguard, he is immune from
Christian reprisals. where is characterized as a hard, cheque-book brandishing bioch who rounds fiercely on her social secretary with an accusing "Nerissa, is this

Brahms's musical character that he should wish both to emphasize and to reconcile the obviously divergent qualities of the violin and cello in a largescale work. Mr Dorati gave a notably incisive account of the orchestral part, but that tended, of necessity, to heighten the of the solo parts, especially as played by the sisters, Kyung-Wha Chung and Myung-Wha

One never feels that this Con-

true?" at the news of the im-pending union with Gratiano (David Schoffeld).

Short-term effects also, are typical of the show. The first sight of Barry Stanton's Antonio, a bulky white-suited millionaire in two-rone shoes. millionaire in two-rone shoes, arouses a mixture of hostility and curlosity which remains unanswered. There is no explanation of this portly Venetian's relationship to the British troops (nor of what the British Army are doing in Venice anyway); and as the plot exerts its grip, one sees Antonio and Bassanio alike shedding their irony and reverting to Shakespearian prototype.

There are a good many amusing isolated passages; and
Vladek Sheybal's Shylock compensates for garbled delivery
with a rabbinical authority, unshaken even in his self-parodying routines for the benefit of
the eavesdropping British. He
at least has his hooded eyes
fixed on a distant goal. Otherfixed on a distant goal. Otherwise, it appears that the Bard has been stribbled over rather than transformed. Rabin Don supplies the production with a back wall of bullet-scured masonry which parts weight-lessly to admit the court.

certo tells us anything new about Brahms. His Symphony No 1 had come 11 years earlier, which is to say three years after the Haydn Variations, and it occupies, at least in its outer movements, a far more troubled world than either. Mr Dorati's performance of the first movement in particular was both lithe and pungent, which is to say that the implications of each phrase were followed right through yet without distortions

Much ado about Bart

Lionel

New London

Ned Chaillet

Lionel, if I have got it straight, is a musical with songs by Lionel Bart about a song-writing child prodigy from the East End called Lionel. Lionel, the prodigy, is taken on as an investment by a group of East End characters who proceed to make him famous by performing his songs. They also make themselves rich, but when Lionel's talent dries up he is left with the hills.

Lionel Bart's songs are

Lionel Bart's songs are Lionel Bart's songs are mostly the familiar ones, from Oliver. Fings Ain't What They Used to Be, Blitz and From Russia With Love. The book is by John Wells who, like Bart, is a veteran of Joan Little-wood's Theatre Workshop. The show was conceived and produced by Allan Warren, performer and author of The Conjessions of A Society Photographer.

What they hoped to do is hard to tell. Without Mr Wells's book it might have

it manages to be biographically suggestive and yet flounder in fantasy. To encompass some of the songs, for instance "Who's This Geezer Hitler?", Lionel, the prodigy, is forced to have a nightmare about Nazi Germany. Other songs, such as "Rock with the Caveman" and "Sparrers Can't Sing" elso have to be fitted in with the requisite "You've Gotta Pick a Pocket or Two".

Like far too many plays with music nowadays, the production also gets into trouble with amplification, trusting not one voice to reach beyond the stage without the help of a microphone. Thus, even with the microphones, the voices are often not loud enough and there is the added irritation of static.

static.

Performances cannot really hold together a production hold together a production headed in so many different directions, but there are good wocal moments from several performers, particularly Clarke Peters as the American who becomes famous singing Lionel's songs, and from Marian Montgomery singing "Unseen Hands", Aubrey Woods as Mr Cock, the East End ponce who becomes Lionel's promoter, and wells's book it might have cock, the East And points who been a celebration of Eart's becomes Lionel's promoter, and talent, a reminder of some of Avis Bunnage as "Ma, everythe best songs ever written for body's mother", do a good deal British musicals. With the book better than could be expected.

Plays for Edinburgh

This year's Edinburgh Festival, from August 21 to September 10, will be the first to include Scottish Ballet, which will give five performances at the King's Theatre with Natalia Makarova and Fernando Bujones as guest artists. There will be two programmes, La Sylphide and Three Dances to Japanese Music in one, and Les Sylphides, Othello, Don Quixote pas de deux, and The Scarlet Pastorale in the other. in the other.

At the Assembly Hall Prospect Theare will present four open-stage productions, three of them directed by Toby Robertson and the other by Frank Hauser. There will be two versions of Antony and Cleopara, the Shakespeare play itself with Dorochy Turin and tiself with Dorochy Turn and Alec McCowen in the itle roles, and Dryden's less familiar All for Love with Barbara Jefford as Cleopatra and John Turner as Antony. All for Love will be directed by Frank Hauser.

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The other two plays at the Assembly Hall will be Hamlet with Derek Jacobi as the Prince of Denmark, Barbara Jefford as Gertrude and Timothy West as Claudius, and a "heroic musical", adapted by Christopher Logue from Homer's Iliad, with music by Donald Fraser, entitled War Music. The cast will include Timothy West, Rupert Frazer and Michael Howarth.

There will be more drama at

There will be more drama at the newly reopened Royal Lyceum Theatre, a varied interrnational programme. It will open with a hit of last year's Visona Festival, Stuttgart State

Theatre's production of von Kleist's Das Kaetchen von Heilbronn. a comedy. This will be followed by two new plays given by Nottingham Playhouse: Adriam Mitchell's White Suit Blues, based on some of the less familiar writings of Mark Twain, and Touched, by Stephen Lowe, a drama set in the 100 days between VE Day and VJ Day, 1945. Both plays will be directed by Richard Eyre. Next on the Lyceum bill will be a one-woman show by Julie Harris, The Belle of Amherst. a characterization of the poetess, Emily Dickinson. This will be followed by Melina Mercourl as Medea is the Euripides play in a production by the State Theatre of Northern Greece.

St Cecilia's Hall this year

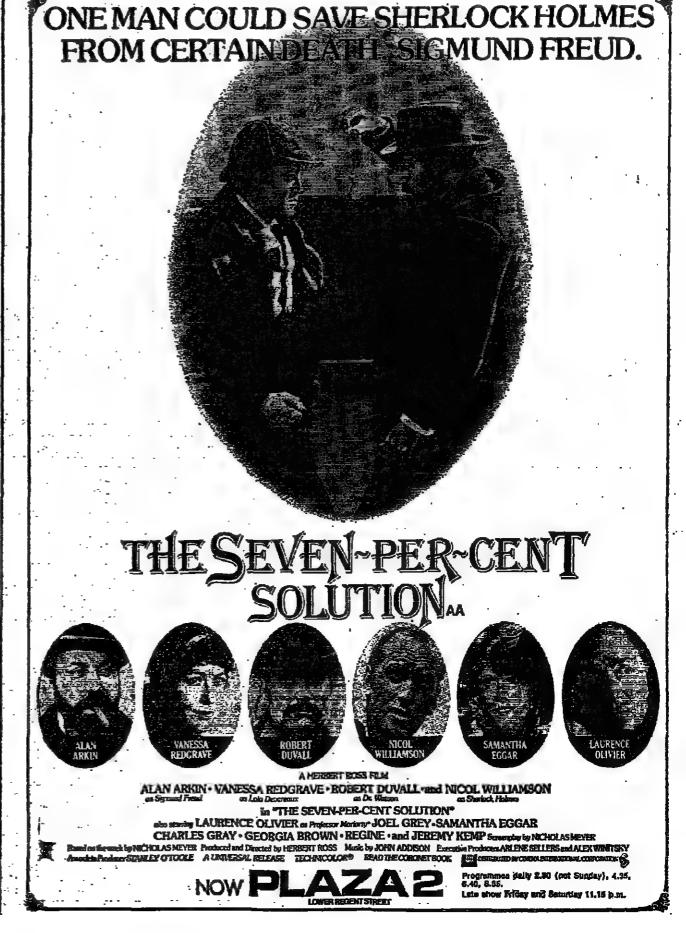
St Cecilia's Hall this year houses a series of programmes of verse and prose—Isn Mc-Kellen reading Shakespeare and a personal anthology of poetry, Rex Harrison illuminating Bernard Shaw's drama criticism in Our Theatre in the Nineties, a recital devoted to Sydney Smith, one of the founders of the Edinburgh Review, and the greatest wit of his time, and a poetry recital.

A reading of Milton's Paradise Lost, by Barbara Jefford, Dorothy Tutin, Robert Eddison, Derek Jacobi, Alec McCowen and Timothy West will be given at the Assembly Hall.

Late-night shows at the Royal

Lete-night shows at the Royal Lyceum will be celebrated with a Spanish suitarist, Paco Pena, and his Flameuco Puro, and Buster, a new musical about the comedian Buster Keaton, direc-ted by Toby Robertson.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.



ondon debuts cond of double best solos and I very much hope to hear likely to seem a good idea, him again.

ançois Rebbath, a Syrian, amezing virtuoso of an ody new sort. Occasionone was reminded of jazz. sts such as Barre Phillips, rent tradition, one that has ered startling resources ho a miniature orchestra-blows that his compositions his new (to us) as his techds to the darkly glowering

ensembles appear in this column, or elsewhere it seems, but the Bariok Trio, consisting of clarinet viola (doubling viola) and piano, is an excepar Rabbath is from a quite tion. At first it sounded a none too promising one, for Mozart's Trio K.498 lacked breakin, was mo businesslike, for its emo-tional depths to be revealed. Yet the Suite from Survinsky's

L'Histoire du Soldar was played

with much verye, especially
with repard to the pungent

rhythmic dislocations, and

harmonies and manic repedcy are wholly fresh also; with record to the pungent on al about this main. Its harmonies and main repetitions of the dance movements.

This combination of insuranceus. seems to invite aggressiveness ds that open La guerre et from composers and all three arix, is wide indeed, but a performers revelled in the virginity of melody unconfined by tuoso writing of Bartok's Conpean concepts of pitch is trusts besides most sensitively fal to most of it. Mr Rabitation the assuingent broods of to most of it. Mr Rab couching the astringent brood-music demands on essay, ing of the slow movement. It ask a brief note like this, was a pity the programme had

to be weighed down with a Trio by Joaquim Home which, though dared 1974, sounded like late-1950s SPNM fare. Soutrand Speidel was fluent and quite expressive in Each's Pertita No 2 her pleasing tone

filled out by unobtrusive pedalling. But there was a lack of vital drive in the quick movements, and in Beethoven's Sonments, and in Beethoren's Sonana Op 31 No 2, also, akthough
the Adagso had exactly the right
sort of lyrical continuity, the
Allegro and Allegretto were
curiously defused, Miss Spediel
had a very homourable shot at
Lixx's Mephisto Waliz (No 1,
of course, for mobody ever plays
Nos 24), and if she lacks the
strength needed to project this
essentially dramatic conception. essentially dramatic conception, her playing was everywhere intelligent, elways musical. Scri-abin's Sonaia No 2 is more elusive but was shaped with true perception, while Chopin's B

Max Harrison

proportioned reading that inclu ded moments of real poetry. By now it seemed obvious that this German pianist's strength lay in the non-German classics, which is what we might expect of a pupil of Leriod and Askenase. Jean-Pierre Jumez gave what

one is tempted to describe as the usual type of guitar recital. The tone is rather wiry but the rechnique quite ffuent. programme, once the inevitable or and Turrega were disposed We do not hear much Russian guitar music, for instance, and at least the titles of Piotr Panin's Evocation of Mongolian Horsemen, Impressions from the Panir Mountains, &c., were engaging, even if in the event they offered little more than conventionalized local colour.
And Brouwer's La Espiral
Eterna was more evploratory of
the guitar's potentialities than
the Clauby chalopations of



Israel's founding father reaps the rewards of terrorism

I first met Mr Menachem Beigin in Tel Aviv soon after he had emerged from the underground in 1948. With his thinning hair, spectacles, wet lips and soft hands he looked like an eastern hands he looked like an eastern European academic, yet as the leader of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, the Jewish terrorist 'organization, he, and not Mr Ben Gurion, was arguably responsible for the birth of Israel. Certainly the Irgun's reprorising described the Reight withdraws. dvanced the British withdrawal

advanced the British withdrawal from Palestine.

The Irgun murdered British soldiers and policemen, and hanged two young sergeants. They blew up the King David Hotel, then a British headquarters, and killed 91 people. With the Stern Gang they surrounded the Arab village of Deir Yasin, and massacred more than 200 and massacred more than 200 Arab men, women and children. Mr Beigin subsequently denied the massacre in an article in *The Times*, claiming

the Arab dead were the unfor-tunate casualties of war, but the evidence was overwhelming. Even Mr Arthur Koestler, who admired the Irgun, could not stomack the mass murders of Deir Yasin and the hunging of

the sergeants.

Mr Koestler's respect for the Irgun was enhanced by his dislike of Mr Ben Gurion and what he saw as the ghetto heri-tage of the older generation of Istaeli politicians whom he despised, but his view of the Irgun was probably the best intellectual defence for terror-ism. He argued that ruthless ness was essential for human progress. The end could justify the means at decisive moments in history, and the Irgun's terrorism was morally justified with the exception of Deir Yasin and the hanging of the British sequence.

British sergeunts. Whether or not he still holds this view is another matter, but Mr Beigin has another claim to be regarded as one of Israel's founding famers.

After the achievement of he did submit ensured Israel's Israel's independence, the survival. He is a true found-ligun retained its identity and ing father. private army beyond the control of the provisional govern-ment and the Haganah, It was a potentially dangerous situation, and the confrontation came when the Irgun chartered the Altalena, so old tank landing ship, to ferry arms from a

French port. Its bold was filled with enough rifles, machine guns, anti-tank weapons and ammunition to equip a division. About 900 volunteers were also aboard to reinforce the seven Irgun hattalions already in the field. Ben Gurion saw the Altalena as a direct challenge to his authority, and decided that he could no longer tolerate a private army and an alternative government. Barely ten weeks after the creation of the Jewish space, Jews fought Jews in one of the most amazing

battles of the century. The ship arrived one Sunday svening in June at Kfar Vit-kin, a little cove north of Tel Aviv, and local settlers helped the volunteers aboard with the unloading throughout the night. But at first light Beigin discovered that the cove was autounded by Haganah troops and armour and two Israel corvettes were patrolling offshore. Much of the cargo was still aboard when Mr Ben Ami, the mayor of Nathanya, arrived to

negotiate, but the Haganah fired on the men on the open beach, and the Altelena sailed for Tel Aviv. Beigin presumably believed that the Haganah would not open fire again if the ship was unloaded in full view of the largest city in the

He also had many supporters in Tel Aviv. Audacious as ever he had the ship beached in front of the Kaete Dan Hotel where members of the United Nations truce mission lived, and the press information office where the world's press had garbered. It was the decision of a ruthless and coura-geous man toughened by years of terrorism, and determined to achieve his objective whatever the cost, but his audacity only made Ben Gurion more ruth

The slaughter began soon after dawn when machine guns raked the ship's deck with con-centrated fire. Heavy mortars joined in. The firing was matched by mounting hysteria ashore. Irgun supporters pleaded with the troops to stop firing, and some did. Depu-tations pleaded with Ben Gurion, but he would not be moved, and eventually the ship

caught fire.
A white flag was hoisted and the survivors jumped over-board. Many of them were killed-or wounded as they swam ashore. A triumphant Ben Gurion gave a benediction: Blessed be the gun which set

Blessed be the gun which set fire to the ship.

About 40 of the Irgun were killed and many wounded. Passions ran high. The new state was threatened with civil war, but the Arab enemy was still literally at the gates. Beigin submitted, and allowed the Irgun battalions to be mustered into the Baganah. He could in the Middle East, he was still relatively unknown among world statesmen. This is no longer so, and it has become widely recognized that in President Assad the Arab world has acquired a leader of ability.

A long talk with him in Damascus only a few days start into the Haganah. He could not have done otherwise without destroying the state for which he had fought for years underground. But the fact that Damascus, only a few days after his crucial meeting in Geneva

Irgun as a patriotic force which fought a guerrilla war accord-ing to Queensberry rules. Ha compared himself with Mr Kanyarta and Archbishop Makarios, and also expected to be friendly with Britain, which he appeared genuinely to admire. He was bitterly disappointed when his visit to London in 1972 opened

old wounds. He was, and probably re-mains, a romantic. He has softened over the years, and is prepared to compromise with the Arabs although they are un-

likely to appreciate it.

A colleague who knew him well today questioned whether Mr Beigin wants to hold office. He recalled that in an earlier coalition government he eschewed departmental responsibility and chose to be a min-

ister without portfolio.

This suggested that he might stand aside this time. I doubt stand aside this time. I doubt
It, but whatever he decides his
victory at the polls proves that
terrorism does pay. Mr Arafat
should be encouraged. When
the next Geneva conference is
convened Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization
might be represented by two
old terrorist leaders. It could
be disastrous diplomatically, but
very interesting. very interesting.

Louis Heren

Ronald Butt

Lobby briefings: on or off the record the truth will out

now attracted to the idea of no doubt not entirely absent briefing Westminster journs from the host's mind on such lists in public. So, indeed, are occasions that when these diswe all, provided we do not get less information about the Government in consequence. I have never met a journalist yet who would not rather have the same piece of information attributable source than one which cannot be named. Who would not rather have had (to take a purely metaphorical example designed to offend nobody) Sir Harold Wilson's views on Mr Tony Benn's political operations at certain crucial moments on the record rather than off it? Who would not prefer to have Mr Heath's views about Mrs Thatcher's Shadow Cabinet on the same frank basis?

In an ideal political world, In an ideal political world, we should all go around saying the absolute truth about everybody and everything, fearlessly and for the record. Politics would be like an Oxford group meeting. But in such a world, no doubt, we should be dedicated equally to absolute kindness, love and humility as well, which would no doubt take the sting out of our bluntness. sting out of our bluntness.

Until that world arrives, however, I am afraid that we shall have to continue relying on a great deal of unattributable news—that is, the free exchange of opinions and assertions between politicians and journalists (not to mention politicians and other politi the information or opinions is not named in print.

And that, of course, is what he "lobby" is about. To call t a "system" is a misnomer: it is a convention. To suppose its methods are peculiar to Westminster is equally falla-cious. The lobby is simply the collective noun describing the accredited political correspond-ents who are entirled to enter the Members lobby at West-minster and there, or elsewhere, to have informal discussions with Ministers, Opposi-tion spokesmen and MPs to supplement and extend the information that is available on the record.

It is almost entirely the same process as when the editors of newspapers, at important political moments (and at some not so important) are invited by the Prime Minister of the day to see him, collectively

in the Middle East, he was still

with President Carter, helped

me to evaluate some of the qualities which make him for-

There is no mistaking the

firmness of purpose behind his gentle manner. Moreover, he has the capacity to analyse situ-

ations, in which he is personally

very much involved, in a

formula for maintaining the

status quo, not for achieving a lasting peace settlement.

midable.

or individually. The thought i tinguished journalists hear how the truth really is from the source of sources, they will recognize it in a blinding light that will illuminate all their subsequent writings and

editing. They, in turn, see the pro-cess as part of the broader fount of information and knowledge which plays on them and from which, to mix a from such encounters depends, I dare say, on the circum-stances and the individuals as in most other happenings of

too. After they have heard the speeches, listened to question time, read, or partly read, the white and green papers, and heard the official statements of what went on at party meetings, the political correspondents try to add a third dimension to what is on the record by informative discussions by informative discussions which take place on the understanding that the source of the the editors and the industrial. diplomatic and defence correspondents, the political correspondent is bound by only one essential rule having written what he believed to be the

Ah, you may say. That is all very well. But the trouble at Westminster (and elsewhere) not the unattributable quality of a certain sort of m-formation, but the fact that all lobby correspondents are collectively briefed together on

truth on the basis of the infor-

manion he has been given he

There is, for instance, naturally a disposition on the part of the correspondent of the Daily Y to use what is said (even if he thinks that the Government's view of the current scene is nonsense) because he knows the Daily Z (whose man reasons likewise) will use it. And anyway, the Government is the Government and its utterances still count for enough to deserve an audience. Thus the Government is able to put across a general view for which it takes no

The much-maligned briefings of the lobby have, by enabling something with a clear flavour to appear in two places at once, made palpable what might have been uncertain

responsibility and from which; when the going gets rough, it

tive unattributable briefings is difficult. Mr Heath flirted with he idea: Sir Harold's Mr Haines got so cross with the lobby for being disrespectful about what was being dished about what was being disted out that he stopped seeing them. But what precisely would take their place? Would Mr McCaffrey be prohibited from all speech except on the record? If not, are the lines to No. 10 to be jammed daily by 50 individual correspondents separately ringing up Mr McCaffrey, or whoever may be there, to find out that little bit extra about the Government's thoughts than was felt suitable for utterance in the harsh light of day and (no doubt) the tele-

Besides, on the record press conferences have their pro-blems, too. The mammoth De-Gaulle-style press conferences favoured by Mr Heath are not always pitched in the key that encourages probing for inforencourages probing for infor Peter Ramsborham's style of mation. They make it too easy for the lofty one, having been think, that the trouble aross, bowled one awkward question since it is a fine line that by a particular journalist to separates an ambassador's pardodge the next one by turning sonality and his style. What is gracefully next time to the not in doubt is that something correspondent of the Fiji was said, and the question is Heraid-Tribuna, whose question whicher it would have been may not always assist the sum said in quite the same terms of relevant knowledge as that on as it was said off the of relevant knowledge as that on as it was said off the is understood within what still record. passes as the United Kingdom.

ambassadorial reign at Wash-Ingron than it had been in the morning, question time having passed more easily than the Government had feared.) Had the meeting been on the record, I do not think its message to a startled world would have emerged quite as it did. Mr Callaghan has said that the briefing contained no offensive personal references to Sir Peter Ramsbotham. What he

off it, and for the life of me I cannot think why it is not. But that, plainly, does not apply to whatever was said last Thursday at 11 am whether at the lobby meeting which sat down formally with Mr McCaffrey, or in whatever little cluster did, or did not, take place effectuated. I say 11 o'clock

efterwards. (I say 11 o'clock because I understand, unattri-butably, that Mr McCaffrey's line at four o'clock was a great deal softer visa-vis the present

did not tell us was what the briefing had to say about Sir Peter Ramsborham's style of

If it probably would not, then Still, I have no doubt that a this much-maligned system guarded ways of conveying a judge for outselves.

does enable us to understand thought which are neverthels more clearly what ministers unambiguous. If we accept the are really thinking than would the thought conveyed le possible under a system of open briefings supplemented by individual non-attributable inquiries (which, I hope, nobody proposes to ban).

My starting point for this assertion is the reputation of those two veteran, if you'll excuse the cliche, political correspondents, Mr. Robert Carvel of the London Evening. Standard, and Mr John Dickinson of the London Evening News The real question we ought to ask about last Thursday is not, perhaps, who said what, or what exact phraseology was used by Mr McCaffrey. The real question is this is anyone suggesting that Mr Carvel and Mr Dickinson made up, or that they are getting little hard of hearing, or can't rake down a key phrase when they hear it? great deal of what is said on the record at 11 o'clock and four o'clock could as well be said off it, and for the life of me I

and Mr Carvel for more years than I care to think (well, about 21 to be precise) and have not known them to make nave nor known them to make anything up yet, nor have I detected an urge towards dra-matic fiction eclipsing their routch for truth. A large headline or so may occasionally fication to their work. The old molehil may sometimes be made a little mountainous. (Which of us is guiltless of that?) But when they reported that the Government was say-ing last. Thursday that, Sir Pares Paresharing was saying Peter Ramsbotham was going because his regime was fuddy-duddy or rather snobbish or some such description, then this to my mind meant that (however, fleetingly) someone round about the Government was saying just that ...

· I have known Mr Dickinson

Who said it I do not know. haven't asked Messrs Carvel and Dickinson because I am a sensitive spirit without relish for dusty answers. But someone said something that they believed represented the thought of the moment for publication, and I do not myself, believe that this was some junior minister in the Department of Social Manners giving his private opinions. We have to look a bit nearer the

Nor do we need to know, the precise words which were used and disputed: there are Thursday was one which the was some kind of official will to coavey, then we must acce-that, by its conveyance throug-the lobby system, the cause truth was served. And by the cause of truth I do not, of course, mean the truth about Sir Peter Ramsbotham (far from it) but the truth about the was it) but the truth about the way in which at least some in the Government were thinking of disarming press crincism. For nobody supposes that Mr McCarirey speaks for himself and nobody seems to dispute that he was retailing a view of some sort about the present some sort about the present Washington Embassy which his masters wanted retailed. We masters wanted retailed through one paper mine because there were no collect

tive briefings. That would have been a less.

That would have been a less.

In the last week I have learned quite a lot about Mr.

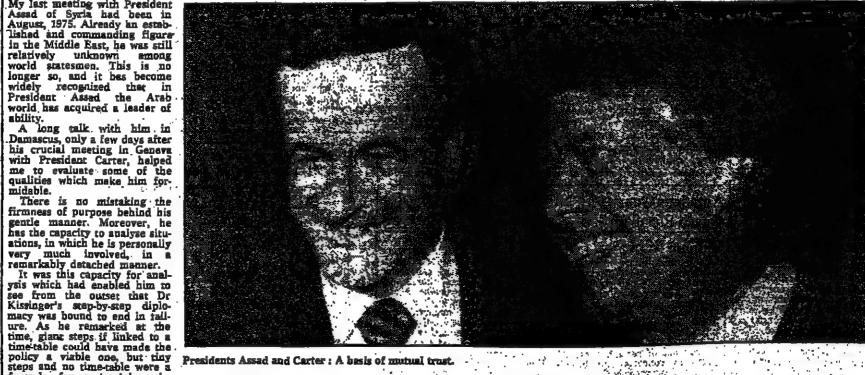
Callagnan and Dr. Owen and their way of thinking and I should be sorry to have been deprived of that. The much maligned collective briefings of the lobby system have, by the lobby system have, by enabling something with a enabling something with a clear flavour to appear in two places at once, made palpable what might have been uncer-

I am left with this thought.

If the briefings were all on the record, would the official-mind be as well probed as now? If the unauributable things said by the spokesmen did not appear so generally in different newspapers, but only in one or two, should we recognize: them for what they are? There was, says Mr Callaghan, no Government inspired cam-paign against Sir Peter. Of this context what is meant by Government and by inspired:

what is a campaign? Every In the meantime, if what was said off the record can really bear the scrutiny of daylight, why does Mr Callaghan no. release the journalists from their sources at the meet which we all now know did take place, and why does he not publish the Governments.

A quiet voice in the forefront of Arab diplomacy My last meeting with President Assad of Syria had been in August, 1975. Already an estab-lished and commanding figure



Presidents Assad and Carter: A basis of mutual trust.

aware of the overall Arab position—that there was no hope of a settlement which did not involve an Israeli withdrawal to the 1967 borders and a fair deal for the Palestinians.

As one would expect, he therefore remains very cautious. The meeting with President Carter had clearly been a notable success and a relation-ship of mutual respect had been established.

President Assad thinks that, although the new American administration should be given time to settle in properly, a administration should be given time to settle in properly, a diplomatic start must be made this year. This is another opinion which he shares with President Carter and also President Sadat. It would not necessarily mean a full scale meeting in Geneva—too much is at stake to risk failure there President Assad emphasized that this was only a first meeting, they had talked for four hours and had certainly established a basis of murual trust which should be useful in the future. He felt certain that by the end of their meeting, President Carter was fully

because of insufficient preparation. President Assad feels that Mr. Carrier fully understands that, if there is no sertlement certainty that still hangs over with all the appalling economic and political effects for the industrial West that would follow. But the han not dwelt too much on the consequences of failure because he did not believe it was sensible, when people were sincerely trying to work towards peace, to say anything which might be taken. Any confidence. President

200.000

for some time. He thought that relations with Egypt, for long in relations with Egypt, for long in the deldrums, were now back on a sound basis; very good with Jordan and greatly improved with the Palestinians after shelf, low ebb during the Labacese civil war. Syria, Egypt, and Saudi Arabia were the natural axis of Arab diplomety, and he pointed out that Agab leaders continued meet all the time and consult regularly.

On Labanon, the President emphasized that partition was unacceptable. He did not think that the creation of small artificial confessional states in the Middle East would be in the interest of anyone. But, as far as he was concerned, the security of Lebanon and of Syris was indivisible. Syris, however, had no territorial ambitions in Lebanon what

There is one aspect of my talk with President Assad that I found particularly encourage ing it was not just his under-standing of the realities of power in the world today that struck me, but the fact that this level headed spokesman for the Arabs is to be found in Damascus, Syria is a country which should be capable of taking a lead in the Arab world, but far too often since independence its voice has should be a benefit for the whole area that this situation has now been radically changed.

Dennis Walters The outhor is Conservative MP for Westbury...

Liberal home from home in Whitehall?

Although the Liberal Party is not directly involved in the affairs (and I use the word advisedly) of the National Liberal Club, David Steel and his Parliamentary colleagues are, not unnaturally, deeply concerned about adverse publicity.

First there was George de Chabris (who appears in Whitaker's, by the way, as secretary of the NLC) and his membership drive in Scandinavia where he advertised the illustriated of the control of the trious Club as a sort of cut-price hotel. Then there has been the crisis over management consultants Anthony Dobson Associates, who were sacked by the Club's trustees after three brief weeks.

Now there is to be a stormy meeting (tonight, at Whitehall Place) when a member of the Club is to propose that Dobsons be reinstated as consultants and he given the opportunity to put (not to mention the possible into practice their grandinse influx of hopeful Danes) conplans for refurbishing the stirutes real security?

institution and bringing it back to its former glory.

That motion will almost cer-

tainly be defeated, not least because the Dobsons plan would cost an estimated film. Where, Liberal MPs and the majority of members of the Club wonder, would Dobsons find that sort each other's entries.
of money. The possible answers
are, I am told, less than reassur-

Accordingly, the management committee of the Club will to night put forward an alternative plan (still top secret) which should "allay the fears of most members".

Painful group therapy

Half way through my first members ".

partners in the great political pact with the Government, having jumped our of the (de Chabris) frying pag into the (Dobsons) fire, a discreet and safe settlement would be most welcome.

The trustees of the Club have promised the Liberal Party the upper income group men-security of tenure in the club tioned in the survey? If I do, house. Will it, many Liberals wonder, be the sort of club house where one would wish to wonder, be the sort of club like me are pain prone. If I house where one would wish to do not, and I am a middle hold tenure? And what, in the group man (the survey delight of the latest revelations scribes him as "an acting and

Kite flying, which I have always thought of as a kindly sport, takes a nosty tion on Hampstead Heath on May 29. A kite festival will include a Japanese tyle dogish. style dogfisht, with contestants using powdered glass strings and razor blade tails to destroy

should "allay the fears of most members".

That remains to be seen; and, judging by the expressions on the faces of Mr Steel and his partners in the second and his partners in the second

A press conference yesterday, at which the results of a national survey were announced, did not enlighten me much. Possibly it was because I am still a unit in search of

Do I, for example, belong to then only 17 per cent of people striving" person which does not sound at all like me), then I

If I am on lower income (and the category seems to fit me snuggly), I am one of the 24 per centers. I should talk to my accountant to see if he can define my classification, but I fear it would give me a head-

Ject to tension headaches.

Why more women victims than men? "Impossible to say", we were told. It was probably something to do with, hormones. I found my strated.

In car men will derive is not stated. Perhaps some witty reader of PHS would like to speculate. hormones. I found my attention wandering, my pen idle. The interest of female scribes

around me visibly perked up when the speaker got on to the subject of women's lib. The crumbling of the sexual barricades had not done much to lessen tension headaches in women, they were told. If anything, "burning of bras had left them even more defence-less and tense". The ambiguity

Commons has, apparently, become somewhat bogged down our why. Take, for example, clause 6(4)(b).

"If the report relates to an in that statement was not lost increase, a recommendation by on us, and there was an embryo the Commission as to whether

snigger. Finally, I must tell Manchester readers that the fre-quency of tension headaches is sound at all like me), then I apparently higher there than increased during any particular belong to the 60 per cent group. any other city in Britain. period."

The Moscow Conservatory of Music is to open its doors, experimentally, to workers from a local car repair plant whose musical education has been limited thus far to the clang of hammer on steel. : New songs, marches and even ... cantatas should result from not to be a woman. The survey reveals that four times. as many women as men are subject to tension headaches.

Why more women victimes that four times as most stated. Perhaps some than the car men will derive is the car men will derive i

Geometrically opposed

The committee stage of the Price Commission Bill in the Commons has, apparendy, be-

the price to which the increase relates, as increased by the increase or part of it or without the increase should not be



Father always said the

Fade out Tory laughter dur-ing the proceedings of the com-mittee and pan on to Mr

that the Government's policy in this matter *is absolutely A Severe case parallel and absolutely of Jarndyce collapse of stout Tories.

Scooped ever so graphically-

Today's edition of The Cimbridge Graphic, a facsimity of the newspaper that appeared exactly 77 years ago, carries the reprint of the story shar stooped The Times by two days. It is generally thought that we were the first to report the Relief of Mafeking on May 21; 1900.

Our Correspondent did indeed file for the edition of the 21st, having established the facts in the careful way that our foreign reporters always have done. However, two days earlier, the Graphic had carried an unconfirmed report from Mafeking.

The reprinting of the Graphic will, it is hoped, carch the imaginations of visitors to Cambridge in the summer as well

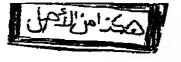
bridge in the summer as well as being of educational value. A facsimile will appear each week, price 20p, and will take older readers back to the heady Hattersley, Secretary of State days at the turn of the century for Prices and Consumer Pro- when that newspaper was said tection who says (huffily) that to be very technically adtha wording of the Bill shows vanced.

negotiating contracts with Be-Beers is an unchallenged fact.

also tries very hard to establish a proper legal system. There are snags, however. Both British case law and

Cape Dutch law are used in the courts and often judgments can be out of date because of the long time it can take for British law reports to be distributed. But that is not the worst of it. Many young Botswanans wao read law are sent to Edinbursh University with the result am told, that Scottish law to comes enneshed with British and Cape Dutch laws in legal arguments and submissions How Dickens (chronicles of Jarndyce and Jarndyce) would have loved it all

Who (I am rightly asked) painted Figure by a Window, the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition portrait about which I enthused yesterday? I am glad to restore the name that pressure on space excised. It is Elleen Maclean.





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THEITIMES

THEY ARE GONE AWAY BACKWARD

rather than to bargain from a

position of weakness. But there

fifteen seats, and is the main

Labour's collapse. Ironically one of its main demands was for the

adoption of a different electoral

system which would make such breakthroughs by new parties

more difficult, but would also

give greater influence to local and regional interests and less

to national party bureaucracies. Professor Yadin has made the

abandonment of the national list

electoral system and agreement

to hold new elections in two.

vears the absolute conditions of

his joining any government. He

would also insist on reforms in

the structure of government which I had would probably not

have difficulty in accepting: the recent scandals have amply demonstrated their necessity and the electorate has clearly taken

But Professor Yadin's pro-

gramme also allows for a partial withdrawal, from the West Bank in the context of a full peace treaty—something which Mr

Beigin and his party have firmly

ruled out. Professor Yadin, a

man of extensive international

contacts and generally moderate reputation, would probably not

be keen to participate in a gov-ernment with a "not-an-inch"

policy which he would consider

dengerous and unrealistic. His

tempted to break ranks and sup-

port a Beigin government, if they

did so they would also be break-

ing an undertaking given before

ie elections to resign their seats

if they could not abide by party

the point.

hos deus vult perdere prius lementat. No doubt there is an Arabic equivalent to that tag, and no doubt it is being quoted oday with satisfaction in those Arab circles which believe that peace with Israel is neither possible nor desirable, and that Zionism is an anti-historical movement fated to destroy itself. If the gods wished perdition of the Israelis, they would drive them mad: and what more suicidal folly could they inflict on them than that of choosing leaders committed to holding on at any price to territories which heir neighbours will not enounce, in defiance of the one world power on whom they lepend for weapons, for finan-ial aid, and for diplomatic

Such are the leaders the 'sraelis have chosen, by casting heir votes for Likud (forty-one eats), the National Religious arty (twelve seats), and for the shlomaton Party led by General Arik" Sharon (two sears). Those parties do not together he new Knesset, but they could irobably just achieve one by illying with the two Agudat parties (orthodox religious roups whose interest is in the nternal observance of traditional ewish law rather than the norders of the state or its relaions with the outside world) and by accepting the somewhat ainted support of Mr Samuel latto-Sharon, who ran for the enesset with the sole and avowed our pose of avoiding extradition of face fraud charges in France. and who now finds himself in he extraordinary position of laving won two seats after campaigning as a one-man list.

Strong position

Such a majority would be a rarrow one (sixty-two seats out of 120, assuming that Mr Flatto-haron would be willing and such a policy even less palatable; constitutionally able to co-opt a Likud supporter into his extra farrow one (sixty-two seats out of 120, assuming that Mr Flatto-1 Likud supporter into his extra seat—a point that remains to be slucidated) and somewhat lacking in elegance. The demands of he Agudat parties for such hings as the banning of post-mortens and of any kind of work on the Sabbath do not fit;all that asily with the liberal individuaist outlook of the parties composing Likud. But the fact lat that majority exists on paper outs Likud in a very strong osition, for there is no doubt osition, for there is no doubt the team greater weight and hat the National Religious Parry international respectability. But rould prefer it to a return to long bargaining is likely to be a previous alliance with the needed before it is clear whether abour Allenment. Both Likud a deal between them is possible, and the NRP have called for a linuar well be six weeks or more national coalition of all Zionist .. before the new government is arties, but they can negotiate actually formed. rom a position of strength preenting Likud's leader Mr. Menabem Beigin as the natural prime lately suffered from heart

decisions.

Mr Beisin would certainly like to have Professor Yadin in his government, both in order to secure a more comfortable parliamentary majority and to give

Mr Beigin's health is a source of further uncertainty. He has ponsibility for the consequences

group in the Knesset) and refus- in opposition (broken only by three years as minister without portfolio in 1967-70), he has the ing any demands from the other parties that they find excessive. The Labour Party, defeated after ruling the state throughout taste or the strength for supreme political responsibility. There is the first twenty-nine years of its no doubt that internationally he would be a liability as prime history, will no doubt prefer to go into opposition (as several of its leaders have already urged) minister, both because of his terrorist past and because of his simplistic, if sincerely held, views on the key issues of terriis much more uncertainty about tories and peace. Even within Likud, while his own Herut party the Democratic Movement for Change, led by Professor Yigael supports him, the Liberals would Yadin, which as a new party has certainly done well to win probably take a more flexible line under the right sort of pressure. But Likud has no obvious (but not the only) beneficiary of alternative leader, and given its much greater numerical strength it would hardly be ready to concede the leadership of the gov-ernment to Professor Yadin.

Treading warily
For the rest of the world, and
most immediately for President Carter, the election result poses very difficult problems. President Carter believes, rightly, that the present dominance of moderate leaders in the key Arab states provides a unique opportunity for peace, but one which, if not exploited, would be unlikely to stay open for very long. He also knows that the terms of peace acceptable to moderate Arab leaders are ones that he would have great diffi-culty in persuading even a Labour government in Israel to accept. The victory of Likud is, a fartion, a saub to those mod-erate Arab leaders and liable to endanger their political position endanger their political position in their own countries and in the Arab world at large.

Rightly anxious to avoid a new surge of destructive radicalism in the Arab world, the American administration will have no choice but to continue its efforts to find a peaceful solution in the Middle East. But it is likely to be more cautious than ever about putting pressure on Israel, for fear of provoking Israel's new extremist leaders into even more extreme policies with disastrous results. On the other hand, and for the same reason, the United State's reluctance to help Israel acquire very sophisticated and destructive weapons, already per-ceptible, is now likely to grow. And if a confrontation with the new Israeli government turns out to be unavoidable, President Carter may now feel that it will at least be easier to explain to American public opinion, includ-ing many American Jews. In the last resort, Israel's new

leaders will find themselves confronted by the same hard decisions as their predecessors. In the past their role has been to make those hard decisions harder. From now on they will be confronted with direct resof the policies they advocate. ninister of such a coalition failure, and some observers. The world can only hope that since his is now the largest pount whether, after a lifetime they will act responsibly.

the young could step sooner into

old men's shoes. The various work creation and work experi-

ence programmes have often

been marked by a futile inge-nuity which does not inspire

confidence. It is no service to

the morale of the young to set

them to tasks that are plainly useless. Yet the Government

cannot leave such a vulnerable

group of workers to bear the

The commission does not dis-

guise the scrappy nature of much of what has been done but

it seeks a commanding role in what it proposes for the future

with only intermittent signs that

it fully appreciates how much

has gone wrong. It also lays stress on one additional reason

why employers are slow to take

on young recruits. They think that they are bad material—un-

interested and poorly educated.

There is an element of prejudice

in this time honoured lament but

it indicates the priorities that the

commission should have. Many

schools today are failing to equip their pupils with the skills that modern industry demands. The worst job shortages exist in

unskilled work, and demand in

that category is the least likely

ever to revive. The money that

the commission seeks must

justify itself not by the number

of idle hands that it keeps

occupied but by the value of the

brunt of the recession.

SKILLS MATTER MOST FOR JOBLESS YOUNG

work, at some sacrifice to longer-term needs. Something had to be he baby boom children of the 960s are struggling through the done if the unions were not to ducation system and out into become disaffected; part of the he world, just as the supply of cost: is being borne by the young. ibs for young people has gone ito marked decline. Unemployunemployed. Since 1975 it has been made tent among the young has more han doubled since 1972, increasan expensive matter for a company to make workers redundig at almost three times the ant. The new rules have humaniate of unemployment in general, tarian motives, but they naturally ccording to the Manpower made employers reluctant not Commission's report only to make labour cuts for esterday. The young people who vill come onto the labour the sake of productivity or because of a decrease in businarket in increasing numbers in ness, but also to take on new he next four years are likely to workers unless they could see a ind matters as bad as they are very distinct and long-term need for their services. Meanow, and probably worse. Apart rom the distress and disillusionwhile a variety of projects have been undertaken with the aim of nent suffered by those who are hus compelled to start their mitigating the effect of the areers on the wrong foot, this recession on the unemployment figures at almost any cost. Some f a human national resource. of them have been of more value Aside from the mysteries of he procreative impulse, the than others. In general they cost less than they seem to, because of the saving on unemployment pay. They become increasingly ffairs is Britain's economic difficult to justify as the problems they combat come to appear as ingrained aspects of Britain's

A number of these initiatives have had reference to young people, among them some which have shown clear signs of desperation. The feeblest was perhaps the much-publicized induceom being left utterly without ment to early retirement so that

industrial malaise rather than

brief emergencies that can be

weathered out.

used degradation of land that will result from the consequent increase in the area of unrestricted nomadic overgrazing.

The major ecological problems of West Africa are not the conservation of ildlife or the use of insecricides. West Africans will rightly identify these as an essenmally allen set of priorities. Game animals are recognized in East Africa as a financial asset and their ranching may well form part of its

significant part of their culture, and it is their ragedy that drought and over-grazing are wasting the traditional cattle lands. However, cambe rearing is well established in the moister zones, often with breeds of cattle which, like game, are

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Ancraft noise From Mr G. Campbell-Smith

Sir, Mrs Carol Berman, chairman of a New York anti-Concorde pres-G: CAMPBELL-SMITH, 20 Fairlawns, Porney Hill, SW15. May 17.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Distributors of 'Private Eye'

From the Editor of Private Eye Sir, The anomalies of the Criminal Libel Law are not the only issue demanding discussion following the conclusion of the Private Ene/Goldmich litigation.

smith litigation.

During the course of this litigation a far more dangerous precedent was established and its legality
confirmed by the House of Lords.

I-refer to the suing by Sir James
Goldsmith of minor distributors of
Private Eye and his settling of the actions on the distributors agreeing never to sell Private Eye again. Happily for us, the distributors who made such as agreement have now as a result of the settlement been released from their undertakings. But it remains the case that not only was the string of the distributors held to be perfectly lawful but also the securing of the under-

also the securing of the undertakings.

Many distributors quite understandably took the view that it was
simply not worth their while to
contest the writs, so it is irrelevant
to speculare on what might have
been the outcome had the cases
been taken to court. The mere
institution of proceedings has been
shown to be enough to make a
distributor stree to discomtinue
handling a publication.

Only Lord Denning has in his
great wisdom seen fir to condemn
what was done in this case. He has
gone further and laid down that
distributors cannot be held liable in
any circumstances, except when
they have been given warning in
advance of publication of a specific
libel.

This prefere terms must be clari-

libel.
This serious issue must be clarified before others take advantage of the precedent that has been established. Yours sincerely,

RICHARD INGRAMS, 34 Greek Street, WL.

Lobby system drawback

From Mr David Dimbleby
Sir; One drawback to the Lobby system not mentioned in today's leading article (May 18) is that it encourages sloppy journalism. I have twice been attacked by a Prime Minister through the Lobby. On neither occasion did any member of the Lobby check with me what was said by the Prime Minister's spokesmen. The allegations were simply published as though they were lates.

bublished as though they were faces.

Why this abandonment of elementary journalistic practice? Idleness? Or is it that a diet of stories for which neither reporter nor source can be held responsible (since the meeting at which information passes never officially takes place) is so debilirating that, as in the Jay affair, it reduces Lobby correspondents to mere pediars of tittle tattle? Yours faithfully, DAVID DIMBLERY,

DAVID DIMBLEBY, 14 King Street, Richmond, Surrey. May 18.

Police corruption From Mrs Raymond Blackburn

Sir, May I take this opportunity of placing on record my certain knowledge that the unearthing of police ledge that the unearthing of police corruption, particularly in the obscene publications squad, was in no small part due to my husband's brave and lonely legal battles over the past nine years. It was clear to him that illegal rackets were flourishing, he very quickly discovered why they were being allowed to flourish, and on several occasions before the judges came too close for comfort to spelling it out. Now surely, all the lawyers and close for comfort to spelling it out.

Now surely, all the lawyers and
eminent judges whom he addressed
in both his cases concerning the
gaming laws and the pornography
laws must realize that he was right.

This made his task "in the eternal
vigilance of the law", to quote Lord
Descriptions all the more imments and Denning, all the more immense and courageous. I am very proud to have been associated with him in

these endeavours.
Yours very sincerely,
TESSA M. BLACKBURN,
50 Homefield Road,
Chiswick, W4. May 16.

Planning for cyclists

From Mr D. R. Widdess From Mr D. R. Widdess
Sir, Mr Hunter calls attention to
the "privileged" position of cyclists
and the danger many of them cause
not only to themselves, but other
road users". One might add that
pedestrians are similarly unqualified, uncested and unlicensed, and
yet are frequently found endangering themselves and other road users
by attempting to cross the public
highway. Perhaps it should be established that in future any cyclist or lished that in future any cyclist or pedestrian venturing on to the open road should be preceded by a motor car waving a red flag. Yours faithfully, D. R. WIDDESS, Newnham Cottage, Queen's Road, Cambridge.

'Badger Watch'

From Mr D. F. J. Davies Sir, Your correspondent Mr Reginald Williams (May 17) has missed the point. What spoiled Badger Watch was the same thing that ruined the 1976 Olympics, and obliges me to leave the room whenever my family is watching televised sport, the fact that people will not stop talking. Pretending to an encyclopaedic knowledge of the activity concerned and close acquaintance with all the players they distract the watcher with superfluous technicalities and even claim to know what people are thinking Rather than be quiet they will retail trivia of the most numb-

If television had accompanied Beatrice Harrison to that Surrey wood I doubt the nightingale would have got a trill in edgewise. Yours faithfully,

D. F. J. DAVIES, Station Road, Staplehurst, Kent.

The judges and trade union rights

Michael Foot, is now demonstring the Judiciary before the Union of Postal Workers. Previously he has debased the procedure of the House of Commons by proposing success the freedom of the press with a closed shop and proposed the dis-memberment of the House of

Is there any worthwhile institution in Britain that this renowned parliamentorica will not hawk, trade or bargain away to curry favour with his positical sup-

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS SCOTT, House of Common

From Mr R. W. M. Dias Sir, Mr Michael Foot's recent attack

on the judiciary can only dismay even some of his supporters. One as learned as he in history must surely know that the traditional role of the judiciary can be seen as siding with the "under dog". Thus, in the seventeenth century especially it came to the rescue of the individual when he was threatened by the overnighty monerch (executive), just as it has come to the rescue of workers when threatened by over-mighty employers (eg. by virtually abolishing the defence of consent to claims for damages by injured workmen, by curtailing the operation of unconscionable terms in contracts of employment and in several other technical ways). Where an act is illegal at law, judges have no alternative but to set so, as they did in the recent proposed strike by Post Office workers. This is why the legalization of otherwise illegal industrial action has to come from Parliament. mighty monarch (executive), just as action has to come from Parliament. This has nothing to do with any anti-union artifude. Indeed, the evi-dence gives no support to such an assection. For instance, in the Crofter Harris Tweed case in 1942 the House of Lords interpreted the law of conspiracy so as to exclude from its compass combinations in protection compass combinations in protection of legitimate trade interests. The public does not hear of this case, nor of many others to be found in law reports. Today, it needs a robust pro-union bias not to perceive the threat to individuals from overmighty unions. The judiciary, true to its role of siding with the under dog, gives relief to the former where possible within the law. Two cases invariably quoted as evidence of judicial prejudice against unions are both instances of redress being given to individuals driven out of work by to individuals driven out of work by their unions (Bonsor v Musicians' Umon: Rookes v Barnard), the one for failing to pay his subscriptions, the other for resigning. These are supposed to be examples of union victimization!

The answer to Mr Foot's charge is best provided by two authors who; in an article emittled "Industrial Cooffict—Judicial Artitudes", trial Cooffict—Judicial Attitudes", investigated the area most likely to show evidence of snti-union bias and concluded: "Clearly there was less statistical evidence of the influence of judicial bias than might a priori have been expected" (1969, Modern Law Review, vol 32, p 58). Coming from two experts in the field, at least one of whom belongs to the far left, their conclusion should be instructive, if not an object-lesson, to Mr Foot.

Much trouble stems from "label-thinking" that is so pre-valent today. In the recent Post Office workers' strike case, the judges were asked to declare the

From Mr Nicholas Scott, MP for Kensington and Chelsea (Conservative)

Sir, It comes at a sadness but no surprise to learn that the Leader of the House of Commons, Mr Michael Foot, is now denouncing the Judiciary before the Union of the label "cat" covers a wild tiger and a samestic rabby, but for the and a domestic tabby, but for the purpose of going to bed in the same room with one a blind adherence to that label might prove

Similarly, it is one thing not to take action against an individual in respect of a particular action; it is quite another thing when the offence is nationally organized, in defiance of an Act of Parliament, in protest against the policy of a foreign country, and kitely to inflict. hardship on uninvolved people here. To label the latter simply as an exercise of "discretion" is like lebelling a tiger as a "cat". If label there must be, then the choice lies between "rule by law", where law is used or not simply as an instrument of executive power and discretaion, and "rule of law", where law serves to control power. The Court of Appeal's decision reflects the latter and is in line with the historic role of the judiciary to control the abuse of power in any quarter. To criticize it on the ground of anti-union prejudice can only reveal the prejudice of the critic. Ironically, the Post Office hardship on uninvolved people here. only reveal the prejudice of the critic. Ironically, the Post Office Workers' Union, and no doubt Mr Foot, stand foremost in opposing the "rule by law" in South Africa. Vanue Fields." Yours faithfully,

R. W. M. DIAS. 5 Babraham Road, Cambridge.

From Mr Alan Dyer Sir, The proponent of the closed shop and a staunch apologist for Mrs Gandhi's authoritarian regime

Mrs Gandhi's authoritatian regime whose assault on the individual's liberties has led to the campaign for a Bill of Rights now has the effrontery to pose as a defender of those rights he has restricted and would erode further.

Is there no limit to Mr Foot's hardwards. Yours sincerely,

ALAN DYER, 6 Stanley House, 103 Marylebone High Street, WL

From Mr Denis Young

Sir, May I draw Mr Foot's atten-tion to the fate of the late Mr James Naylor? Mr Naylor rode into Bristol on a donkey, to the hosannas and palm-substitutes of his equally barmy disciples. The House of Commons—this was in 1656—were then unencumbered by a House of Lords or an independent judiciary and they staged an outraged trial of the man on their own premises. In man on their own premises, in which the same men prosecuted him, relieved him of the burden of defending himself, and convicted of defending himself, and convicted him. Among other mutilations they chopped his ears off and, when the scars were nicely forming, decided to crop them even closer. Then he was sent to prison for life. Oliver Cromwell was so shocked that he forthwith reconstituted the House of Lords and seriously considered becoming King of England if only to stop it happening again.

I do not suggest that anything like that is going to be done to any of us today, but I do say that the twanny of a professional body of judges is a small price to pay for our protection from a parliament that does not know its own limita-

Yours faithfully, DENIS YOUNG, September Cottage, Forgandenny, Perthsbire.

Devolution reaction

From Mr Adam Fergusson Sir, At a stroke of the pendefeat of the Government's guillotine motion on the devolution Bill provoked an understandable outburst of anger and disappointment in Scotland "-Mr Neil MacCormick this morning twisted the record into a knot. May I immediately put it

There were two principal reac-tions in Scotland in that fourth week of February. One was the enormous relief of the entire commercial and industrial community (the chambers of commerce and the Scottish CBI expressed their satisfaction at once) and of the less other groups and individuals who believed that an assembly would lead to separation and economic disaster. The second, and perhaps more significant, was the spontaneous outburst of public apathy from almost everybody else, from one end of the country to the

other.

Newspapers seeking adverse public reaction to, or large shifts of opinion because of, the guillotine's defeat could detect none, and had to make do for copy with the predictable railings of political spokesmen. Not a march could be marshalled, not a demonstration streed not a moster raised in prostaged, not a poster raised in protest. Not a tremor attributable with

From Mr Bernard Bresslaw

certainty to that event appeared on any pollster's graph of party political popularity. Devolution remained at the bottom of the list of popular priorities.

Public manifestation of "under-standable" disappointment and anger about the vote therefore appears to have been confined to the instant tantrums thrown that evening by one of the SNP's parevening by one of the SNP's par-liamentary group, and to the frus-trated squawks of outrage next morning from the handful of Scot-tish newspapers and correspond-ents sympathetic to the party's cause, which died down in a few days for lack of response. But of course the hard core parionalists were disappointed. The

nationalists were disappointed. The SNP have cherished no other hopes of attaining their ends except through the chosen instrument of an assembly. Mr MacCormick now tries to persuade us that, unless the "declared wishes of the Scots" (what arrogance he has I) are satisfied, his party will otherwise (!) be out to sweep the board, and that Done will regret the consequences more than he. This bluster—this desperation—seems to indicate that the Conservatives at any rate, now back tracking on legislative devolution, have just about got it right. I am, Sir, Yours faithfully,

ADAM FERGUSSON, 9 Addison Crescent, W14. May 17.

Is small sensible?

Sir, Fee, fi, fo, fum. Midgets and megaphobes may be delighted with Jillian Robertson's guest column in The Times of May 11. "When it comes to people, small is sensible but we disparate, sensitive giants of the world only feel a shudder down our elongated spines. Ms Robertson is not the first, nor alas will she be the last, to suggest we should all conform to some non-existent norm. However as a solution to the problem of a burgeoning population faced with finite resources, Ms Robertson's ideas should exposed for the ecological madness they are. There is no evidence from the

natural world of any great degree of uniformity. Is the sensible size for a mountain 4,406 ft (Ben Nevis) 29,028 ft (Everest)? Is the African bush elephant (11ft) or the African pygmy elephant (7 ft) the real thing? Is a proper Pine the Loblolly averaging 90 ft or the Ponderosa sometimes growing to 200 ft? Which is the correct size for a newspaper, The Times with 36 pages or the Morning Star with just 6? The answer was given by Montaigne when he said "the most universal quality is diversity". Genetic variation is the antecedent of adaptation and evolution and without many ran-

dom varieties from which to choose, natural selection functions poorly. If the sole determinant of human size is to be the saving of food, then let us feed only female children since women are on average smaller than men. However

they tend to live longer than men

and on balance will eat in the course

of their lifetimes as much as men.

Perhaps the answer is to take to our beds and a life of inactivity, thereby decreasing our need for all but the minimum intake of food. I may not discriminate against Ms Robertson on the grounds of her sex. It seems hardly fair that she should discriminate against me on the grounds of what she chooses to cell my "gratuitous" extra height. If I were a whale I should be the object of conservationists everywhere. If I were a large stately home, petitions would be raised to save me, but because I am a rather large homo sapiens (I think), I

of such unfair and unworthy attacks. Giants of the world unite! You have nothing to lose except your

must fend for myself in the face

Sincerely, BERNARD BRESSLAW, (Height 31 cubits), c/o Watford Palace Theatre, Clarendon Road,

Preserving the British archive

From Captain Stephen Roskill, FBA, RN (ret)

Sir, Having spent much of the last 30 years researching in Government records may I lend my support to the plea put forward by Professor Howard (May 12) and others for a Government Archive Service?

My experience covered chiefly the Cabinet Office, Admiralty and Air Ministry records. The Confidential Library in the first named was well

organized and the staff always most belpful; yet even there the un-authorized and obviously unintentional destruction of the Cabinet Secretary's "standard files" cover-ing the early months of the war

ing the early months of the war took place.

The Admiralty's Record Office was manned by Civil Servants who were doubtless conscientious men but were plainly not of the highest calibre, and were totally untrained in historical needs or archival administration. To give only one example of its methods, one day I was in the office when "weeding" was actually in progress, and there was a large pile of documents dumped on the floor prior to destruction. I glanced through it and saw that it dealt with through it and saw that it dealt with Admiralty lands in colonial terriaspect of our Imperial era. As the fate of the papers was already sealed I pinched one of them, and from it I wrote an article which was

from it I wrote an article which was published in your paper!

To give some examples of unauthorized destruction of papers I know that on the death of Admiral Sir Dudley Pound (First Sea Lord 1939 to 1943) his personal assistants went through his papers and destroyed some of them without consulting anyone or seeking any authority; and in 1948 an excessively discreet First Sea Lord's secretary destroyed a wartime letter from Churchill to Pound about a certain Admiral. Fortunately in that case a copy was preserved in that case a copy was preserved in the Prime Minister's Private Office papers (now Premier 3

In my experience the Air Historical branch has much the most efficient organization of any of the Service departments and, as its head once said to me, his instructions were "to preserve everything of historical interest". But even so one does not know what papers were destroyed before they reached the Historical branch. The power of departments to keef

The power of departments to keef some records "closed" for more than the statutory 30 years also requires careful scrutiny, since it can produce absurd anomalies, such as documents which I bave used and actually quoted from now hav-ing been placed under such a

Another aspect of the problem is the lack of inter-departmental co-ordination, which results in dunli-cates of a lot of papers being retained in different PRO series —such as the Cabinet Office and the Service department records. Plainly there is a need to eliminate such a waste of space and to introduce a system of cross-referencing. Only trained archivists could carry

out such work.

Where I do not entirely go along with Professor Howard is in his commendation of the American system, though it is vastly superior to our own. Again, taking only the naval side, the US Navy's "Classi-fred" (now "Operational)") archives were beautifully maintained while in the charge of the Navy Depart-ment's Historical branch. But on transfer to the National Archives many of the documents are microfilmed—doubtless to save space—and one can spend many frustratof them in search of what one needs. From the historian's point of view the preservation of originals, or the taking of Xerox copies in the case of fragile documents, is infinitely preferable to microfilming them.

Finally I wish to make it plain

that none of these remarks are in-tended to be in any way critical of tended to be in any way critical of the efforts made by the PRO in recent times to improve matters. They have tackled the great diffi-culties produced by the release of thousands of new documents with outstanding energy and skill, and render all of us admirable service. But that does not eliminate either the need to create the service pro-posed by Professor Howard, or the need to import trained archivists into all departmental record offices, or the need to preserve and to release as soon as possible all historically imnortant papers. Unauthorized destruction should of course be torolly prohibited.

Yours faithfully.

STEPHEN W. ROSKILL, Churchill College, Cambridge. May 14.

Washington Ambassador From Colonel R. J. Longfield

Sir. In your article supporting Mr Peter Javs' appointment as our Ambassador in Washington (May 16), indeed in all the correspond-ence on this subject, there has been one suprising omission.

This very brilliant young man is,

understand, a product of the much criticized British public school system, having been educated at Winchester College.

He surely owes a great deal to this education and one wonders why credit is not given where it is so that this might tarnish his image? Yours faithfully,

R. J. LONGFIELD, Lower Silton. Gillingham, Dorset. May 17.

Say it with vegetables

From Mr Angus Doulton

Sir, I am afraid that Mrs Mackinlav (May 11), may be frustrated. Some years ago I attempted to do just that by sending a cauliflower from Glasgow to London by a well known inter-flower company. My order was rejected on the grounds that this species, despite its name, was not in fact, a flower and therefore could not be supplied. Luckily I was able to find another way of saving it." Yours sincerely,

ANGUS DOULTON, 19 Richmond Road, Oxford.

I oppose the eradication of tsetse n because I believe that the secricides are themselves particu-

redicament. But there are everal reasons why school-avers have suffered especially idly. The approach of which he Manpower Services Commision is one embodiment cannot Itogether escape a share of the lame. The Government has been to inclined to respond to the ise in unemployment with egative and palliative measures,

hich have had some short-term

access in preventing people

'ood from ranched game -

com Dr W. E. Ormerod r, Your correspondent Marcus near suggests, in his article of oril 22, that the substitution of nched game for cattle would stop e flood of insecucities and the assive over-grazing which are fecting West Africa so severely. should like to make two com-

Firstly, the international organizaons are at present using insectides not so much for the eradicaon of tweese as of Simulium, the ctor of river blindness. Those who we seen this disease, or the BEC's im about it, will realize that the e of insecricides for its control clearly in the interest of the ople who are affected : the same nnot be said for the use, also anned by the international garizations, of insecticides for adicating tsetse, since any ineased meat supplies will only nefit townspeople hundreds of iles distant and with a higher endard of living.

My second point is that while game animals in the wild certainly cause less degradation than carrie, when herded by man game is likely to cause as much over-grazing as

future pattern of agriculture, but in West Africa there has been have game for many years and few people consider it to be important. Cartle, on the other hand, are a

skills that it imparts to them. larly bermful but because of the resistant to trypenosomiasis. It is the extension of this system of agriculture, that lacks the serious consequences of methods used in the more and rones, that West Africans are likely to see as their highest ecological priority. I am, yours faithfully,

sure group whose photograph appears in today's edition (May 17) must have extraordinary sensitive hearing. With an east wind blowing, there were no aircraft within miles of the GPO tower. Yours faithfully, Versailles palace big buyer of Rosebery treasures

£1.7m paid at Mentmore's first day



COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE May 18: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by the Right Hon Bruce Millan, MP (Secretary of State for Scotland), the Countess of Airlie, Sir Philip Moore, Mr Robert Fellowes, Mrs Michael Wall and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson, left the Royal Train at Glasgow Central Station this morning and were received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Mr David Hodge, the Right the Lord Provost).

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh drove to Water Row. Govan, and, escorted by the Chairman, Scottish & Development Agency (Sir William Gray), viewed the Govan Walkway, an environ-mental project of the Scottish De-velopment Agency.

Her Majesty unveiled a com-memorative plaque and, with His Royal Highness, planted trees before making a tour of the housing

development.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by the Lord Kirkhill (Minister of State, Scotisth Office) and the Ladies and Gendemen of the Household in attendance, later drove to Cumbernauld.

bernauld.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness arrived at Burroughs Machines Limited (Chairman, Burroughs Corporation, Mr R. W. Macdonald) and were received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Duthartonshire (Mr J. C. Robertson) and the Provost of Cumbernauld and Klisyth (Mr George Murray).

Murray).

The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, toured the Works and unveiled a commemorative plaque. Her Majesty and His Royal Highness then visited the Co-operative Wholeale Society Distribution Centre (Chairman, Co-operative Wholease Society, Mr W. Farrow) and unveiled a commorative plaque.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh drova to the Town Centre, where Her Majesty restarted the Enoch Clock and, with His Royal Highness, walked to the Golden Eagle Hotel and honoured the Chairman, Cumbernauld De-

the Chairman, Cumbernauld Development Corporation (Sir Donald Liddle) with her presence at

Reception

Conservative Commonwealth and Overseus Committee Overseas Council
The Conservative Commonwealth
and Overseas Council held a silver
jubilee reception at 100 Park Lane
yesterday evening. Mr Edward
Heath, MP, president, Mr Colin
Turner, chairman, and Mrs Turner
received the guests. Among those
present were:

present were:

Ambasadors, high commissioners and other members of the Diplomatic Corps with their ladies, Baroness Elies, Lord and Lady Twendsmutr, Lord Carlington, Mr Edward du Cann, MP, and Mrs du Cann, MP and Mrs Davies, MP, and Lady Hown, Mr John Davies, MP, and Mrs Davies, MP fant Davies, MP, and Mrs Mrs du Mrs

Luncheons

Army Board gave a luncheon at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, yesterday, for Major-General De Witt C. Smith, jur. Commandant, United States Army War College. Among those present were: Among Loose present were:

Mr Robert Brown, MP. General Sir
John Gibbon. Mr D. Cardwell, Mr
A. P. Hockeday, Mr Ronald I. Selera;
Mean-Admiral Francis T. Brown. Mr
Michael C. Maccionald. Colonel
Robert E. Osborn. General Sir Enwin
Bramail. Letterant-General Sir Huch
Beach: Major-General P. R. C. Hobart,
Major-General P. J. H. Leng, Mr
James Tinn, MP. Mr Michael Clark,
Mr J. D. W. Janes and Professor D. G.
Pack.

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Kilsyth District Council Offices. After visiting the Tryst Sports
Centre, The Queen and The Duke
of Edinburgh drove to Stirling and,
having been received at Antield
Football Ground by Her Majesty's
Lord-Lieutenant for Stirling and Falkirk (the Viscount Younger of Leckie) and the Provost of Stirling (Mrs L. McCaig), witnessed a Mrs L. McCa Youth Pageant.

Youth Pageant.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness drove to Stirling Castle this
evening and were received by the
Heredimry Keeper (the Earl of
Mar and Kellie) and the Convener
of the Central Regional Council
(Mr J. Anderson).

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh attended a Reception and later rejulned the Royal Train. The Prince of Wales arrived at Penrith Station in the Royal Train this morning and drove to visit the Royal British Legion Housing Association Development, where His Royal Highness opened Lons-dale Court and unveiled a com-

dale Court and unvened a com-memorative plaque.
Having visited the Police Head-quarters, Carleton Hall, Penrith.
The Prince of Wales drove to Greystoke Castle and declared open The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal in the county of Cumbria.

This afternoon, His Royal Highness visited the Ullswater Outward Bound School and the Windermere Steamboar Museum. The Prince of Wales unveiled a commemorative plaque and then travelled by steam launch to the Royal Winder-

His Royal Highness was present this evening at a Jubilee Ball at Sizergh Costle. Sizergh Castle.

The Princess Anne. Mrs Mark Phillips and Captain Mark Phillips were present this evening at the Royal Academy Annual Dinner at the Royal Academy Annual Dinner at the Royal Highness and Captain Mark Phillips were received upon arrival by the President of the Royal Academy (Sir Hugh Casson) and the Secretary (Mr Sidney Hutchison).

Mrs Andrew Feilden and Major Nicholas Lawson were in attendance.

YORK HOUSE

May 18: The Duchess of Kent, as Patron, this morning opened the new School of Nursing at St George's Hospital, Tooting. Mrs Alan Henderson was in attendance.

The Duke of Kent this evening arrived at Heathrow Airport. London, on the conclusion of his visit to Sweden.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Lieutenant-Commander Richard

The Duke and Duchess of Kent will visit the Royal Norfolk Show at Norwich on June 30.

This afternoon. The Queen and A memorial service for Nelita
The Duke of Edinburgh visited the Lady Chevne will be held at CheiGreenfaulds Housing Scheme and sea Old Church on Friday, May
drove to the Cumbernauld and 20, at 3.30 pm. Mr Ronald Frank, gave a lun-cheon yesterday at the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin. The guests were :

Italian Ambassador

The Italian Ambassador was host at a luncheon held at the embassy to Lady Thorneycroft, Lord Kear-ton, Sir Derek Ezra, Sir John Plicher, and Dr Reginald Ben-nett, MP. The decoration of Commendators was presented to Vis-count Norwich and Mr Kevin McNamara, MP.

Dinners

Wheelwrights' Company The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress were the principal guests at the annual livery dinner of the Wheelwrights' Company, held at the Mansion House yesterday evening. The Master, Mr E. T. Sermon, presided. Among others

Anchorites

A dinner was held by the Anchorites at the Cafe Royal last night under the presidency of Mr J. Urguhart, to celebrate the silver jubilee of the Queen. The principal guest was Commodore J. G.

Institute of Cost and Management
Accommons

The President of the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants,
Roger Evans was in the chair.

25 years ago

From The Times of Monday, May 19, 1952

Dearer petrol

Increases in the price of petrol announced yesterday by a number of petroleum companies mean that from today motorists in the immer zone will pay 45 3id a gallon, in the outer zone 45 3id, and in the general zone. The wholesale prices of a number of petroleum companies on petroleum companies also affected from today.

Forthcoming marriages

and the Hon F. G. Ironside The engagement is announced between Roland, younger son of Mr and Mrs Evan Jack, of Barnston Old Rectory, Great Dumnow, Essex, and Fiona, daughter of the Lord and Lady Ironside, of Broomwood Manor, Chignal St.

Mr A. B. J. I. Boswell and Miss J. E. V. Ratcliffe

The engagement is announced the engagement is announced to between Alexander, only son of Mr and Mrs lun Boswell, of Ramsey, Isle of Man, and Jane, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Kirk Ramilife, of Lea Hall, Lea-by-Backford, Chester.

and Miss E. M. S. Mackay The engagement is announced between David, eldest son of Dr and Mrs J. D. Harte, of Bedford, and Eleanor, younger daughter of the Rev W. R. and Mrs Mackay,

Mr J. Hunter-Coddington and Miss P. A. Shearma

The engagement is announced between Jeremy Hunter-Codding-ton, of North Luffenham, Rutland, younger son of Mrs Robert Siddons (formerly Baroness van Zuylen) and stepson of Mr Robert Siddons, of West Clandon, and Philippa Ann Shearman, daughter of Mrs Alec Bruce, of Stoneville Cottage, Gotherington, Gloucester-

The engagement is announced between Piers Norman Peter, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A. P. Mackeuzie, of St Albans, Hertford-

shire, and Susana Etelvina, daugh-ter of Senor and Senora H. Mediua, of La Paz, Bolivia. Mr C. F. G. Parkinson and Miss M. C. P. Johnson The engagement is announced between Christopher, sou of Dr C. Northcote Parkinson, of Guern-sey, and Mrs Jones, of Henfield, and Mary, daughter of the Rev Wyndham and Mrs Johnson, of.

Mr M. G. Sheppard and Mrs J. A. Bothway The engagement is aunounced between Gurney, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Dan Sheppard, of Ashwell, Hertfordshire, and Josephine, oally daughter of Mr and Mrs J. M. Turner, of Ampton Hall, Bury St Edmunds.

Marriages

and Miss P. Royer
The marriage took place at the
Church of St Peter and St Paul,
Watlington, Norfolk, on Saturday,
May 14, between Mr David Nigel
Cross and Miss Philippa Royer,
daughter of the late Richard Penn
Royer and Mrs Audrey Hover, of
Runcton Holme House, King's
Lynn, The home address of Mr
and Mrs D. Cross will be 13 Tutton
Court, Tufton Street, SVI. Court, Tufton Street, SWL

Mr D. Metrebian and Miss J. Lewis The marriage took place in London on May 18 between Mr Damon Metrebian, second son of the late Mr Kave Metrebian and of Mrs Metrebian, and Miss Joanne Lewis, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Lewis.

Birthdays today Sir Michael Balcon, 81; Brigadler Sir Frederick Coates, 61; Sir Graham Cunningham, 85; Sir Harold Himsworth, 72; Baroness Hylton-Foster, 69; Sir Maurice Parsons, 67; Professor Max Perutz, 63; Sir Kenneth Preston, 76; Sir Arthur Weatherbead, 72.

University news

(Susson, Bowfs Junior Research Fellowship, COLLEGE L, Wolfson, hon DCL, homorary fellowship; S. M. Kanbor, BA (Cantab), Merion College, ed. M. M. Marior Cantab), Merion College, for the college

Leeds
Professor David Johnston, of Bristol University, has been appointed to the chair of surgery, Leeds General Infirmaty, and the headship of the department, from October 1.

Honorary degrees were conferred on the following yesterday: DLM. Sir Charles Curran, for services in education through brodessing. DSC: Dr Sydney Jones, former mem-ber of the British Railways Board.

Davis, Control Department of Realth and Social Security, significance of temporary separation at birth, under Dr H. McGurk.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr William McAlister, Director of the Battersea Arts Centre, to be Director of the Institute of Contemporary Arts from June 1. Dr Bernard Feilden, architect and partner in Feilden Mawson, to be director of the International Centre for the Preservation and

laboratories at Cambridge are beginning to find out how the genetic blueprint is translated in complex animals, by injecting isolated genes into unfertilized

Isolated genes into unfertalized frogs' eggs

The injected genes seem to be "read" by the genetic machinery of the frog egg, and may provide valuable information about how the reading out of genetic information is controlled by living cells.

The central problem of genetics is how the thousands of genes that make up the genetic blueprint of animals, plants and man are expressed in a coordinated, ordered fashion to specify the complex structures and biochemical reactions of living organisms.

cal reactions of living organisms.
The basic principles of gene
expression were worked out in the

simple bacteria many years ago, but nobody yet knows how far those principles can be applied to

those principles can be approved to the much more complicated higher

In bacteria each gene or set of genes specifying a particular pro-tein product or biochemical path-

Oxford

Surrey

The Louis XV ormolu-mounted marquetry secretaire that was withdrawn at £280,000 after £300,000 to £500,000 had

150,000 for a Louis-XV automatou of a singing bird in an orange tree, an extreme rarity of great charm. Then came two Louis XV serpentine commodes in kingwood with strolling orandu mounts, which had been offered to the nation: One dated from about 1750 and made 555,000 (estimate £40,000 to £60,000). The other, a copy of about 1850, brought £5,500 (estimate £7,000 to £12,000). An 8ft Louis XVI orrery clock, of intricate mechanism embellished with cherubs, was sold for £40,000 (estimate £20,000 to £40,000). A parquetry writing cabinet of about 1775 was sold for £32,000 (estimate £8,000 to £14,000) and a fine patrof. ormolu-mounted Japanese lacquer cabinets in the same price. (estimate £10,000 fo £20,000). The Palais de Versolles was a substantial buyer. Apart from the Marie Antoinette desk, it padd £7,000 for a pair of Italian portery urns (estimate £4,000 to £6,000). It bought a 38 inch bust of an emperor with an eighteenth-century shoulders for £6,000 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000), and a similar emperor at £5,000 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000), and a similar emperor at £5,000 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000). The afternoon sale sucluded two pairs of Venellan marble busts of blackamoors dating from the seventeenth century at £32,000 to £20,000 each). The life-size statue of King Tom, Lord Rosebery's great raceborse, had been withdrawn from the sale and is to be removed to Dalmeny Castle in Scotland. The knockdown total proceeds for the day were £1,749,020; the number of unsold lots being few. Still life of peaches on a table by Renoir is sold for £46.588

From Our Sale Room

Prices were very high, but not consistently so, in the first day's sale at Mentmore, devoted to

furniture and sculpture. Decorative

later pieces were often bid well beyond their normal values but some of the French boulle furni-ture, for instance, was fairly cheap, though often in poor condi-

The top price of the day was £90,000 (estimate £40,000 po £70,000) for a Louis-XV automaton

of a singing bird in an orange tree.

Correspondent

On Tuesday both Christie's and otheby Farke Berner beld sales in New York. The third session of. Christie's opening auction of Impressionist and modern paintings made a total of £618,935 (\$1,052,190), of which 36 per cent

The main buyers were American private collectors and Japanese and Continental dealers. A German private buyer said the highest price of £46.588 (\$79.200) for a still life of peaches on a table by

A Japanese collector paid 122,000 (\$37,400) for Eglise Saint Jean-du-Baiy, Lannion by Utrillo, and an American collector 120,705 (\$35,200) for a still life of fruit and wine bottles by Viaminck. The prices are inclusive of the 10 per cent buyers' premium imposed by Christie's.

The Sotheby Parks Bernet sale. The Sotheby Parke Bernet sale was of jewels and brought a total of £483,510 (\$831,810), with 27 of

of Hereford, to be Rector of Portect with Stoke Pero, docume of State and The Rev B. C. Smalth: chaolain, Ter-side Industria: Mission, diocese of Distham, to be chroken Kiddersinster Industria: Mission and assistant priest. Stone, decese of Worce-ser. The Rev A. Waterleid, carate of Staten the Basist, Kingsthore, diverse of Feterborough, in be Termity of St. Jahn the Basist, Kingsthore, diverse of Peterborough, in be Termity of St. Jahn the Basist, Kingsthore, diverse of Southwell The Rev D. H. A. Wilson, Vicar of Topaham, diocese of Evelar, to be Rector of Wolsingham with Thermity, slocese of Durham

The Rev P H. Green, Vicar of St Paul's, Shipley, to be Vicar of St Andrew's Carplave.
The Rev C K. St J. Porter, a teacher, to be Vicar of Langelilla with Statisforth.

The Rev S. E. Ablewhite, corate of St Peter's, Wooton, discrete of Liver-pool, to be Vieur of Brough with The Rev R. S. Bernett, Vicar of Ali Sairts' Salenhebble, Hallax, discrete of Wakefeld, to be Rector of Alicea with Great Ortos.

The Rot K. E. Brown, Vicar of St James's Southbroom; and the Rec C. C. Pwrr, Rural Dean of Weymouth and Vicar of Presion, to be canons and me-bendance of Salisbury Cathedral.

Mr Kenneth Burnett, aged 26, a publisher, to be United Kingdom director of Action in Distress, the international children's charity, on

the retirement of Mr Ian Kerr,

general serverary.

Mr Basil Greenhill to be chairman
of the Dulwich College picture
gallery committee, in succession to
Sir Noel Hutton, who remains a
committee member.

Science report

Molecular energy: Secrets of frog egg

In response to biochemical signals.

Over the past few years it has become possible to determine whether that is also the case for the higher (eukaryonc) organisms, which comprise everything more complex than the one-celled bacterial (grelen years).

against the apparently besolvable problem that it was impossible to

obtain i olated pure eukaryotic genes in sufficiently large amounts to study at the molecular level. But

recent teconical advances involving

cutting up and reconstituting DNA

have made it possible to isolate individual genes and look in detail at the regions of the gene that probably hold the generic controls.

probably hold the generic controls. However, the first results seem to show that the eukaryotic controls are nothing like their bacterial analogues, and that other ways of identifying them more precisely are needed. That is what Dr Gurdon is trying to achieve with unfertilized frogs' eags. His eventual aim is to inject bits of gene of various lengths and thus find out

various lengths and thus find out

eticists have always come up

teria (prokaryotes).

Diocese of Bradford

Diocese of Carlisie

Diocese of Salisbury

general secretary.

Church news

the 298 lots unsold. A cabochon sapphire weighing about 16 carats, set as a ring in a platinum mount with small diamonds, went to a New York dealer for \$46,511 (\$80,000), and an unmounted star-sopphire weighing 48.87 carata made £29,070 (\$50,000). A round dismond weighing

about 21.75 carats set as a ring in a platinum mount was bought. again by a New York dealer, for £25,000 (\$43,000),

In London yesterday Christie's sold silver to a total of £84,205, of which 9 sec cent failed to reach its reserves. Bloomstein paid £4,200 for a George II plain shaped oval soup tureen and cover by Thomas Glipin, 1750, against an estimate of £2,000 to £3,000; and anonymous buyer £4,000 for a pair of George IV two-handled vase shaped wine-coolers by Ben-jamin Smith, 1825 (estimate £3,000 to £4,500).

A sale of books at Christie's made £26,828 with about 2 per cent

£120,000 appeal | Shropshire Appointments

The Rev.A. J. Brown. cursis of \$1
Mary's Circus. discase of Southwell launched for choir school From Our Correspondent

Tawkesbury Mr Lionel Dakers, Director of the Royal School of Church Music launched an appeal for £126,000 for a choral foundation for the Abbey School, Tawkesbury, yes-terday.

Many's Curron, discusse of Southweit to HACED.

The Rev J. C. Edwards, Rector of Groat Sookham, discusse of Galddred to be Rural Deem of Leatherhoad.

The Rev B. W. Carman, Vicar of Stamos's, Ending Mill, discusse of New-Casile to be benorally praning assistant to the Newcasile discusse education board from June 1,

The Rev H. R. Jervis, Vicar of Domington Wood, discusse of Lichfield to be a prebendary of Lichfield to be a prebendary of Lichfield to be a prebendary of Lichfield Cathedrach with Tutton and Litchfield to be a prebendary of Lichfield Cathedrach with Tutton and Litchfield Cathedrach with Linguis, discusse of Herviors, to be Rector of Portock with Stoke Peru, discusse of Bath and Weits.

The Rev B. C. Sanath, chaplain.

terday.

He said that to contemplate starting a choir school in the nation's present economic plight was an act of faith, and the more so in view of all the pressures against private education.

"We have been watching this project with the greatest interest because it is going against all the trends", he said. "Here is a new choir school thriving. What has happened shows trainendous vision". ision". Mr. Miles Amherst, the head-

master, founded the Tewkesbury school in 1973 with an iptake of live boys. Now there are sixty. Eighteen sing in Tewkesbury Abbey on three weekdays.

Theatre moves out The National Youth Theatre is withdrawing from Sunderland its base for the North-east after 13 years. The director, Mr Michael Croft, said yesterday that the decision had been forced on the company by inadequate local support.

have been tested in this system and all seem to be processed at least through the first stage of expression. The DNA of which the genes are made is copied into a complementary "messenger" molecule, messenger RNA. Normally that would then be translated into protein, and there are strong indications that the frog oocytes cau also translate the messenger RNA into the correct protein.

Molecular geneticists have taken

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to the new system enthustastically and it is beginning to be widely used. The next step will be to modify some of the isolated genes

at the putative controlling regions

to see what effect that has on their

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Latest wills

livestock prizes

(estimate £3,000 to £4,000).

bought in. A copy of the first edi-tion of Christina Rossetti's Verses inscribed "Fred: Geo: Stephens-PRB from his PRB: D.G.R.", went to G. Simus for ESO (esti-mate 5500 to £700).

Christie's South Kensington pro-

duced 545,828, with 7 per cent un-

sold, from a sale of mechanical

music and other machines. A Mills

Violano-Virtuoso, from Chicago,

was bought by an English collec-tor for £5,900 (estimate £5,000 to

26,000). Rauter paid £320 for a

ink-writer (estimate £150 to £250).

ings and drawings at Sotheby's

mada £37,661, with 26 per cent

unsold. It proved that the taste for Sir William Russell Flint's

than might have been imagined,

for M. Sternberg, of Chicago, paid £3,800 for his " Northern waters"

showing a girl on a chilly beach

A sale of modern British paint-

From Our Correspondent Shrewsbury

More than 25,000 people attended the first day of the Shropshire and West Midlands Show at: Shrewsbury yesterday. Principal swards were: CATTLE

GATTLE

Fereford, supreme: D. L. Jones E.

Sons, Ross on wys: female: W. C.

Hutchoon, Turriff. Weish Blacks,
appreme: Mr and Mrs S. M. Richards;
female: E. Liewellyn Williams, Liangeful. Charolais, supreme: E. Dodd.

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Seriest Friesdan nale: Messre C. R.

Gridten Completon. Messre C. R.

Londan Completon. Messre C. R.

W. B. Slater Suffmal. Gridner, supreme:

W. B. Slater Suffmal. Gridner, female: C.

Miss A. P. Bythell, Bridgmorth. Jersey,
male. W. F. Pratt. Woodgreen Farm,
Scoupport: female: C. G. Harris & Son.

Telford. Dairy, shorthorp, female:

Crawfard, Persins & Son, Moreton on

Lage.

SWEED

Chin Forest, male: J. W. H. Sinnert.

Crawfars, Peralus & Sop, Moreton on Lugs.

Chin Format, male: J. W. H. Sinneri. Stockton on feme: Jemale: Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ritchie, Keitering. Kerry. Stockton on feme: Jemale: Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ritchie, Keitering. Kerry. Supreme. W. J. Brick. Enighton, Powys. Ryeland, mate: D. W. Evasa. Abrys. Wisterlord. Suffold. supreme! W. M. Tibbey. Hereford. Suffold. supreme! W. Sorrior. Leftessier. Supreme: H. L. Leftessier. Supreme: H. C. Leftessier. Supreme: J. E. Joose & Soon, Weish Mountain thill Rockt. Supreme: J. E. Joose & Soon, Oswestry. Brack Weish Mountain. Supreme Capatha and Mrs. G. Makeson, Sandochi.

Shires, female: T. Yates, Windley Derby, Geiding: T. Yates, Hunters in hand: Miss G. L. Watter, Banbury, mare, Mrs H. S. Joffs, Wichtwick ridden Lady Pollack, Melon Mowhray, Hecks, supreme: Miss S. Hopwood, Ashion-under-Lyne, Arbikin, supreme M. Griggs, Bradford on Avon.

Requiem Mass

Latest estates include (net, before duty paid; duty not disclosed):
Brooks, Mrs Isabel Edith Ina, of Brackley £137,054
Crookshank, Lady, of Sidmouth, widow of Major-General Sir Sydney Crookshank £120,154
Darby, Miss Ethel Parker, of Leamington Spa £104,779
Dehn, Mr Pani Edward, of Chelsea, writer £113,303 Cardinal W. Conway Requiem Mass for Cardinal William Conway, Archbishop of Armagh, was celebrated by Cardinal Hume, Archbishop of Westminster, in Westminster Catherins

Memorial service Mr R. Plummer

A memorial service for Mr Ray-mond Plummer was held at the Church of St Vedast, Foster Lane, Church of St Vedast, Foster Lane, City, yesterday. The Rev D. Paulev officiated. Mr W. R. van Strauhenzee, MP, read the lesson, and Sir Reg Goodwin, Leader of the Greater London Council, gave an address. ranslated into protein.

So far, several different genes have been rested in this system and

Today's engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh arrive Perth station
10, visit Council Chambers, 10.15, St. John's Kirk, 10.45, Bell's Sports Centre, 11.15, arrive Camperdown Park, Dundee, 2.45, attend annual regional music presentation. Caim Hall music presentation, Caird Hall, 4.20, dinner in City Chambers, 8.15, attend country dancing dis-play. City Square, 10.15. Princess Anne presents awards at Hand Crafts Advisory Association's blennial craft exhibition, Friends House, Euston Road, London, 2.20.

The Duke of Kent, President of the All England Lawn Tennis Club, with the Duchess of Kent, opens Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum, 11.5S.

OBITUARY DR H. E. HALLAM Research in chemistry

ceaselessly through the rest of his career. In 1955 he was appointed lec-

Dr Harry Evans Hallam, University College where, from Reader in Chemistry and Dean the beginning, he played a very of the Faculty of Science at full and invariably constructive Reader in Chemistry

Reader in University and Student in Chemistry

Reader in Chemistry

Read but he was sent to Aberystwyth carried action torward us for grammar school education tributed greatly in a wide range of activities: research, teaching and, after service in the RAF, of activities: research, teaching and student professional and student professional the interest as an ex-serviceman and gra-interests—especially the interests duated in chemistry. After a ests of overseas students all brief research period and mar gained from his perceptive conbrief research period and margained from his perceptive con-riage into an Aberystwyth cern. Much of his personal family he took a lecturing post effort and enthusiasm was conin the University of Khartum, centrated on research, princi-There he made a great success spally on infra-red studies of, of his teaching and commenced molecular structure and inferof his teaching and commenced the formation of a circle of action, especially in matrix triends which continued to grow media, where he was a recognessive through the rest of nized leader at the international He is survived by a widow turer in chemistry at Swansea and one son.

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MR OLIFFE RICHMOND

Professor Lawrence Gowing well, made a distinctive contri-

During the last year British sculpture has suffered heavy losses among sculptors in mid-

Richmond was born in Hobart in 1919; his education as an artist began at East Sid-ney Technical College. A tra-yelling scholarship from New South Wales brought him in 1948 to England, and Chelsea. A time as an assistant to Henry Moore—that great

teacher of sculptors com-pleted his training. Richmond's work developed through three phases in successive places,
punctuated by impressive exhibitions. His heavily and herolcally modelled figures, like the
large bronzes at Otterlo and
William Penn School, Camberthere is the rest of the re

bution to the efflorescence of British sculpture around 1960. But Richmond was always on easy terms with the machines as a youth he had flown before career from whom much more he could drive and the grey-was still expected. None of these Lancia which he remodelled Lancia which he and drove serenely, as, if enlosses has been felt more personally and sadly than the recent death of Oliffe Richmond.

Richmond was born in and drove serenely, as if entire the more distribution of his next sculptures, when he moved to Surrey. With time, his work grew more abstracted, patterned and allusive. In the 1970s he was back in London and his last sculptures, towering presences in laminated wood, were shown at the Commonwealth Institute a year ago. Oliffe Richmond-had succeeded Moore as a teacher at Chelsea and taught there for the rest of his life.

the last war she was Acting. Dean in charge of pre-clinical students and staff in London,

Aberdeen in Exerci where they suffered the Baedeker raid and

finally back to London and devastation by a V-2 rocket

Improvisations, work as usual and high morale stemmed from

her skilful administration, com-mon sense and humour.

No militant feminist, she wel-

PROFESSOR M. F. LUCAS KEENE

Professor Ruth Bowden writes:
Mary Frances Lucas Keens
always acknowledged her debt
to her lively and affectionate
family and her teachers, who instilled virtues of thoroughness
and loyalty. Breadth of education and interest, discerning
enjoyment of life, distaste for
the spurious gave dignity and
style to all her indertakings.
They made her equally at home They made her equally at home in town and country and with persons of all ages. She cherished tradition and was proad to be elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England and to be admitted to the Livery of the Worshipful Company of Apothecaries of London

Her scholarly grasp of essentheir studenty of expression made her an excellent teacher, particularly with small groups. Her integrity was maskable and she was a wise judge of situations and character. These talents were invaluable in comboth at home and overseas.

Few realized the volume of work quietly accomplished. In

comed and enjoyed the advent of men students, for whom she endowed a prize. She also en-dowed a further prize for the somen and this commemorated her husband, Richard Keens.

Her husband, Richard Keene.

Her natural shyness gave the faise impression of alcofuess to many including students, who were gratefully surprised to hind her a sympathetic although penerating examiner. She had lasting beauty, loved good company and her wealth of knowledge and experience were given generously. To, all, Herkindness to junior colleagues was unfailing and as one of them has said, "it was an honour to know such a great

MR CECIL HOPKINSON

Professor William Beattle works issued by the Edinburgh

Cecil Hopkinson was one of the most generous benefactors of the Newtonal Library of Scotland in my own and my successor's terms of office. His Berlioz collection, the best outside France, was presented at the opening of the new building by Her Majesty The Queen in 1956.

Already for nearly 20 years he had given advice by which the Handel Collection, purchased from the estate of A. J. Balfoor, was enriched with first and early editions to the transformation of the great original. Hopkinson's collection of Verdi was acquired by the library on liberal terms.

His work with C. B. Oldmen on the contributions of Haydu and Beethoven to Georga Thomson's collections of pational song issued in 1940 by Edinburgh Bibliographical Society, was one of the first works of musical bibliography to appear under any such imprior. Of Hopkinson's other

to his bibliography of Berlius (1951). A month or two ago he urtered a hope (which may well be fulfilled) that someone would use his revisions for a second edition.

was completed. The first volume, dealing with works. and instrumental works, sometred with Goude in New York in 1973 : corrected page proofs of the second, com-operatic works, have been sent to the press Ope of his unpublished books is an agrobiography finished a few weeks

Bellet, opera, theare, pairmine, concerts, films, provely especially in Italy, golf, Baira, and Zoia, cherished homes in London and the South of Ergland the Army in which he had seved in both wars of his time, retiring as Major—these, with a late devation to the same, of strabble, are clear memories. of strabble, are clear memories of Cecil Hopkinson. To learn that he was ever a civil servant is a surprise, almost a

MR HERBERT WILCOX

Mr Michael Thornton writes: Your excellent obituary of Mr Herbert Wilcox was in error on two points of fact. For all his fierce pride in his Irish ancestry, he was not born in Cork, as you state, although his mother; Mary Healy, came from that city. His actual birthplace was 7 Dagmar Villas, Gipsy Road, Norwood, which, while less romanic, was perhaps an Your excellent obituary of Road, Norwood, which, while less romanic, was perhaps an acorooriste beginning for a man who loved London all his life and whose London films—I Live in Grosvenor Square, Piccadilly Incident, The Courtneys of Curzon Street, Spring in Park Lane and Maytime in Manfair—created British Mayfair - created British attendance records which, with the closing of so many cinemas in this country, will never now

be surpassed.
Although Herbert Wilcox guided Dame Anna Neagle's career single-banded for 45 years, it was nor in fact he who was responsible, as you say, for her abandoning her real name. Mariorie Robertson, and adopting professionally her mother's maiden name, Neagle. She de-cided on this change in a tea shop on the corner of Wardour Street and Old Compton Street on August 21, 1930—eighteen months before she came under Mr Wilcon's guidance on the advice of another film director, I. B. Williams, for whom she had made an early talkie called

The Chinese Bungalow. Williams felt that her real name had been too much publicized as a Cochran chorus girl and also that it would require too many electric balbs to set Hobbouse Memorial Lecture, "The return of the sacred? The argument on the future of religion", Professor Dapiel Bell, London School of Economics, S.

realize to what extent his per-sonal generosity was responsible for the financial problems of recent years. His film production team were never laid off, even during the worst depressions of the British film industry. They were on full salary 52 weeks of the year.

To the end, he remained touchingly thoughtful. On April.

1, just six weeks before his

death, he went to considerable trouble to arrange for a telegram from Dome Anna and himself to be handed to Miss Chill. Bouchier, the actress, on her wedding day. She had last worked for him in a film more than '49' years before, and she was moved to tears by his gesture. He had a long memory in a profession where memories are all too short. .

MR MODIBO KEITA

Mr Modibo Keira, the former !: President of Mali, died in hospital in Bamako, Mali, of May 17. He was 61. Keita was Mali's first President after its independence from France in 1960. Though he had dominated political life in the country for many years before as well as after independence his attempt to apply Marxist solutions to Mali's economy was not successful and grew increaingly unnopular with the powerful business and military in-

terests in the country.
In 1968 he was overthrown, by a coun led by Lieutenant-Colonel Morssa Traore, Mall's present head of state, and had been in detention in the country

Threat to I hreat to block part

of deal on

Cavenham

By Christopher Wilkins

A group of warrant holders
in Cavenham is threatening to
block a vital part of the proposed deal under which Sir
James Goldsmith's Genérale
Occidentale is to acquire half of
the 49 per cent stake in Cavenham it does not already own.
Warrant holders are important to the specess of the partial

tant to the success of the partial offer because their approval is

offer because their, approval is required before any new preference shares can be issued. A leasure of the GO bid is that shareholders who cominue to hold shares in Cavenham after the offer should receive a scrip issue of one new preference share for every three ordinary shares.

The purpose of the preference issue is to raise the effective income per share from \$3p

ICI earmarks £140m for Teesside and confirms German expansion plans

MF team

unions over its plans for Wil sogether with its existing sites

Plans for a big expansion of Union leaders were cintrol of the latest plans would consolidate in Britain and cerned at lack of consultation. In content European chemicals building a large ethylene in northern Europe eround the next were revealed yester cracker on the size in view of the company is to spend four ethylene crackers would the four ethylene crackers would four ethylene crackers would group's sales to the EEC and a four size at Wilhelmshaven, was to be fully exploited:

Last night, however, ICI said of products to the EEC and a further fileshaven. West Germany location. The complex would draw its feedstock from linear house of the next few years and this certain that up to follow the next few years.

Ar Wilton, IC I will extend facilities for the production wind choralicall and viny location of chloralkall and viny forthe happy about the German steward the production of chloralkall plant for the happy about the German should forther a meeting shortly with ICI short a meeting shortly with ICI said that the union welcomed at much larger number the construction of chloralkall plant proposals although for on stream by early 1980.

The latest plants would constitute in the United States were necessary to build up the group's sales to the EEC the party by infrasted exports and party from local manufacturing party from local manufacturing party from local manufacturing the charge of the products to the party from local manufacturing the charge of the party from local manufactur

Modularial Correspondent in Britain Holland and France in Britain, Holland and France Plans for a big expansion of Union leaders were continuous date its manufacturing position. Its facilities in Britain and cerned at lack of consultation date its manufacturing position.

tive mome per share from \$3p ner to 8.6p.

Recently a number of key stakes in the warrants have been built up, principally among stockbroking firms including Brewin, Dolphin. The holders now appear to be acting in concert and are claiming to speak for close to 25 per cent of the warrants.

As 75 per cent of the warrant holders voting are required to approve the preference share issue, this stake would be big emough to halt the issue.

The warrant holders argue that the offer of 42p per warther the offer of 42p per war-ram is much too low and are likely to hold out for a higher offer. The sums involved are extremely small, the present hid being worth only some £620,000.

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But while the warrant holders seem to be in a strong position, the GO partial bid riself is not conditional upon their approval. The proposed preference share issue was only incorporated into the scheme at the inference of Samuel.

the insistence of Samuel the insistence of Samuel Montagu, adviser to the minority shareholders. If Sir James Goldsmith decided to proceed with the rest of his proposals the minority shareholders would have to forgo the additional income

would have to forgo the additional income.

Both Montagn and Hambros, adviser to GO, will argue that the offer for the warrants is generous. As the offer document is already largely drafted it is inconceivable that the terms will be revised samedistely, and the chances of a better offer being made for the warrants later look slim.

Bank signal for static MLR

The Bank of England yester-day signalled to the money markets that it would prefer to see Treasury bill rates remain consistent with the continuation of minimum lending rate at 8

It reactivated the Treasury bill related formula for setting MLR only last Friday, and appears to wish not to be left ith the dilemma tomorrow of having to decide whether to suspend the formula again or make a fresh cut in MLR. Treasury bill rates last night,

company.
In a large scale placing yes-

terday, stockbrokers L. Messel sold eight million Mothercare

shares, a quarter of the total equity, for £21.6m.

The placing was carried out at 270p, a discount of 8 per cent on the overnight price; but despite the scale of the operation, which is likely to limit institutional interest in

the shares for some time, Mothercare dropped only 4p to

290p. yesterday.

The disposal reduces the Zilkha family interests in Mothercare from 48 per cent to 23 per cent. Mr Selim Zilkha

has cut his holding from 9.9

the Greater London area, and Mr Shore's proposals do sig-mificantly extend its brief. Apart from drawing British and overseas office employers into central London, LOB is to however, were only marginally above the 71 per cent level

CBI chief to retire: Lord Watkinson, president of the Confederation of British Industry since May 1976 (on right of parture), is to give up

May 1976 (an right of picture), is to give up the appointment at the end of the year, four months early. The decision is taken on medical grounds. He will be succeeded by Mr. Hedley "John" Greenborough (18ft), deputy chairman and managing director of Shell UK.

The CBI president announced his decision yesterday at the confederation's annual meeting. Mr. John Methyen, the CBI's director general, has apparently known of the problem for some weeks. Normally the CBI president would remain for a two-year period, which would have taken Lord Watkinson through to May next year.

Welcome for lifting of

London offices curbs

Addressing the annual meeting, which had clearly expected to reelect the president for his second year. Lord Watkinson said: "Following a medical check-up which we all have from time to time. I have to try and reduce my commit-ments somewhat if I am to stay reasonably fit. "It seems best for the CBI that I should carry on for the rest of 1977, which I think I am capable of doing if you reelect me this morning, handing over to my successor four months earlier than usual." Lord Watkinson was the main architect with Mr John Methyeu of the CBI policy document, "The Road to Recovery".

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Earnings pass year's target after 8 months

V Caroline Alkinsön

Members of the TMF ream

ho are to review Britain's
renomic progress since the
rengement of a \$3,900m By David Blake
bout £2,294m) loan test Dec

A share averaged as a vicinity in the conomics. nber are expected ee arrive in . A sharp increase in earnings undon today for consultations of 19 per cent during March A sharp increase in earnings

Monday. Officials in Washinston and

However, these Wiff De con-lications with a difference... ritain's books will be reviewed v the team in the light of the hancellor's Lener of Intent of

innancial position since then has obably put these tarsets withese y reach. The £8,700m call... ig for public sector borrowing 1977-78, which was so fiercely egled over last year, now oks as if it may leave room r further reflection through tax

Next week's talks will not nesder the political implica-ons of this, but will concen-ste on the technical question

how much room, if any, there They will lack the high ome of the talks last Autumn hen there were six weeks of ugh and drawn out negotia-ons between IMF officials

id the Government.
The IMF team will meetnior officials in the Treasury id the Bank of England, and ill pay a call on Mr Healey wards the end of their visit. There are no plans as yet for em to have talks with outside idies such as the National stitute for Reoponaic and

rial Research, the TUC and the Confederation of British Progress in the governmentnion negotiations for a third und of pay restraint will also discussed, as a commitment incomes policy was part of

The outlook for inflation in 18 official forecasts must pend crucially on this and is IMF team may be presented the alternative forecasts under

London, E.C.2.

being due to exchange rates.

SUN ALLIANCE

& LONDON會

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

London Insurance Limited was held yesterday at the Head Office of the Company in Bartholome's Lane,

Lord Aldington, the Chairman, presided and .

the end of the first quarter of 1977 was encouraging. -? -

Even after making a provision for further Subsidence

claims it was estimated that the Home Underwriting-

marine account for 1975 seemed likely to be better

than 1974. Investment income was nicely up compared

with a year ago, only a small amount of the increase -

quarterry figures would be more likely to mislead than

to indicate real trends but he was pleased to be able to

: A Vote of Thanks to the Directors and Staff was

In the case of this Group the publication of

report a return to an overall underwriting profit.

proposed by Mr. William M. Rees and seconded by

Greenwood, Chief General Manager, responded.

Mr L H. F. Findley. The Chairman and Mr J. A. C.

account showed a material profit. Overseas there was

also some improvement in underwriting results. The

reported that the present estimate of the position at

The Annual General Meeting of Sun Alliance and

INSURANCE GROUP

of pay bargaining

meant that the Government's I Lopdon have stressed the utine nature of next week's ings during the current round iscursions and pointed out that of policy was exceeded with the Fund is due to visit London only eight months of the bartway for the annual consolidation. By the and of March average target for the growth of earn-By the end of March average earnings had risen by 7.9 per

cent since July 1976, Government officials coocede that the 7 per cent tarthancellor's Letter of intent of get originally set is now in at December. There he spect if the targets for government believe that during the current believe that during the current fire limit login.

A transformation in Britain's March was a bad month last converted violation since then has ges, originally set is now un-

year, sy toe much should not be read into the very high in-crease which stood in sharp

pushed up earnings, tax gate the full rigours of pay bonuses paid out at the end of the fiscal year and an increase in overtime which is thought to have accounted for 1 percentage point of the 1.9 Der cent increase

There is still no strong evidence of any widespread evasion: from the workings of the curzent policy, and basic wage rates increased hardly at all in-March or in April.

- Some of the slippige from likely out turn under the policy plained by the pick-up in overtime (now at 16,000,000 hours week) caused by the slow bur fairly steady rise in industrial production which has been going on in recent months. But there is clearly some unexplained slippage from the terms of the original policy and there is the possibility that the special circumstances which seem to have operated during

WAGE RATES AVERAGE EARNENGS REAL EARNINGS

ing to dail with workers' dis-content over the problem caused by the squeeze on real

living standards.

The last time that the increase in cornings increased by a large amount was December, when Christmas bonuses pro-vided much of the explanation. The seasonal adjustment mechanism is designed to previous two months.

There were some settlements there are being used more which are thought to have nowadays in an effort to miti-

restraint. Real earnings during March rose fractionally before tax, thus ending a decline which has proceeded since August of last year. They are, however, still nearly 41 per cent lower than they were at the beginning of the TUC's agreement with the Government in July 1975.

If the bopes that the total increase in earnings in the year to the end of July are fulfilled, then pretax earnings will have to fall over the rethe original prediction of the maining months of the policy likely not turn under the policy. The Government's hope is almost certainly to be extent that the tax concessions introduced in the last Budget will mean that take home pay will most that take home pay with
not have to fall in real terms
in the coping months. This
maintenance of living standards
may make it possible to get a
new round of pay restraint
which would limit the growth in earnings next year to about 10 per cent.

So far, the Department of Employment has been notified of sendements affecting 10 million workers under stage two, all within the limits laid down by the pay code. March may themselves have been used by employers seek-.... Table, page 21

CBI council backs new pay bargaining plan

By Malcolm Brown
The grand council of Confederation of British Industry yesterday approved a document proposing a radical transforma-tion of the pay bargaining sys-

A key proposal in the psper, details of which will be published early next month, is the telescoping of the annual pay round into a period of about

Lord Watkinson, president of the CBI, and Mr John Methyen, director-general, were at pains yesterday to stress that the paper was not a blueprint but a discussion document.

A draft of the document, pub-lished last week by The Times, proposed the setting-up of a new national body which each year in the months before the Budget, would try to reach a view on the prevailing economic situation and its practical implications for industry and pay bargaining. The pay round would then rake place in the months after the Budget.
Since that draft was com-

pleted there have been a number of amendments, including several alternative timetables. One alternative mentioned yes-terday by Lord Warkinson would start the pay round in the autumn

BIM proposals, page 21 Future of pay hargaining, page 23

By Ronald Pullen Mr Selim Zikha, founder and chairman of the successful maternity and children's wear group Mothercare, has again substantially reduced his own and his family interests in the ector Mr Ezra Zilkha has re-duced his from 2.75 million to 1.3 million, while the family trusts have slimmed their holdings down by 1.3 million.

Mothercare chief sells £21m stake

where."
As a result of Tuesday's matement by Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, the LOB has been given the job of attracting overseas office employers to this country and of "attracting office employment to the inner urban areas, including London. ..."
The LOB is clearly very sensitive to the fact that after

sensitive to the fact that after a decade and a half of success-

fully pushing office workers out of London it now has to bring jobs back in. A spokesman com-mented yesterday: "No one

expects us to go out and bring back the jobs we helped to

The bureau has long wanted to expand its role outside of

A spokesman for Mothercare said that Mr Selim Zilkhu's decision to sell was taken "to diversify the funncial interests of his family", but he declined to say what he planned to do with the proceeds. The spokesman added that

the sale of such a substantial holding in no way "represented any weakening of the company" and that in any case Mr Zilkha and his family still held more than 7 million shares worth more than 520m. Nevertheless, the move is

bound to create further sus-piction in the City, coming less than two years after earlier heavy share sales by the Zilkha

In February 1975 their stake was cur by 4.8 million shares, worth at the time £7.9m, and the timing of the sale a few weeks before the end of the group's financial year created

Mr Shore announced that, in line with the Government's

plans to stimulate employment in the construction industry and

trols from 55 per cent of de-velopment applications received Mr Sydney Mason, chairman

Investment Trust, for long an

outspoken critic of the Govern-

ment's policy on property, echoed reactions from many

other developers vesterday when he commented: "It looks

as though the Labour Party has

come to the view that de-

relopers are no longer persona non grata".

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Hammerson Property &

considerable disquiet. Later that year the interest was reduced by a further 2.2 million shares, reducing the Zilkha interests from 57 to 48

At the time of the last sale ir Zilkha commented that he did not plan to make further sales in the foreseeable future. The spokesman for Mothercare added yesterday that "there

are no further planned sales at the moment". News of the sale mer an icy reception from the group's financial advisers, Hambros Bank, who commented that they were not made aware of Mr Zilkha's plans in advance.

How the markets moved

The Times index: 190.03 +2.82 The FT index: 477.4 +9.2

THE POUND Rises 12p to 332p 10p to 363p 10p to 218p 14p to 207p 5p to 62p 10p to 195p 13p to 190p 10p to 488p Eank 52lls 1.56 28.25 61.25 1.79 10.24 6.95 8.40 4.00 61.75 7.90 Australia 5 Austria Sch Belgium Fr Canada S Davy I EMI Fisons GKN 8p to 246p 5p to 370p 11p to 361p Sporrow G. W. 10p to 150 Sporrow G. W. 10p to 150 Stothert & Pitt 13p to 150 Sunbeam W'sey 3p to 25p Utd News 10p to 235 Young H. Hidgs 3p to 35p Finland Mik France Fr Guthrie Corp Home Charm Imp Chem Ind 100 to 2280 Germany Dun Greece Dr Hongkong \$ 10p to 301p Italy Lr 1545.00 Japan Yn 500.00 Netherlands Gid 4.38 Falls 475.00 4.16 9.00 64.25 1.90 113.50 Bracken Mines 4p to 62p Concentric 3p to 44p Doorntoniem 14p to 156p Norway Kr Portugal Esc Africa Rd Equities had good gains. Gilt-edged securities eased after a Sweden Kr 7.40 4.28 SDR-5 was 1.16145 on Tuesday, firm start. Dollar pren while SDR-E was 0.675812. alumt 117.75 per cent Commodities: Cocoa prices rose strongly. Reuter's index was at 1,675.2 (previous (1.678.2).

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(effective rate 43.212 per cent). Stering dropped 4 pts to \$1.7185. The effective exchange rate index was \$1.6. On other pages

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Hopes of BP gas find in North Sea

A complete about turn in the Government's thinking on office development within central London has gratified the property industry and received embarrassed acceptance from the Location of Offices Bureau. In the past 14 years, LOB has helped 2,000 firms to more 140,000 office jobs from central London. The Order in Council establishing the bureau charged it to "encourage the decentralization of office employment from congested central London to suitable places elsewhere".

Be an agent of the Government's plans to get a better distribution of offices throughout the country.

Mr David Llewellyn, chief executive of English Property Corporation and president of the British Property Federation. Said yesterday: "This is a very welcome move in the right direction."

He was encouraged by the Government's change of heart on inner city offices and the relaxation of office controls in the south-east.

In his statement on Tuesday, Mr Shore amounced that, in

cheirman of the National Iranian Oil Co., that in partnership with BP new oil and gas finds had been made in the North Sea. Commercial profitability had yet to be assessed. to reverse the drift of employ-ment from inner London, the exemption limit for office de-velopment permits would be raised from 15,000 to 30,000

sq ft.
Offices employing only 200 to
300 people are to be exempt.
This is expected to lift con-

several years ago with an older-type rig, and encountered high pressure gas. A new rig. Sea Conquest. struck a well earlier this year, and little has been heard since about progress.

frogress. Industry observers, however, feel that the significant gas discovery may eventually be confirmed.

With its customary caution, British Petroleum was saying british retroleum was saying speculation that a major gas field may have been discovered in the Bridsh sector of the North Sea, some 20 miles north west of the bigNorwegian Frigg gas reserves.

Oil has also apparently heen found in another area, about 12 miles north east of the Piper oil field.

Speculation was stimulated following comments made by Mr Menuchehr Eghbal the assessed.

BP with Iranian Oil isdrill-

BP with Iranian Oil isdrill-ing on Block 329/2, north of the huge Frigg gas field. BP commented yesterday that the drilling "has not yet reached its target horizon, so we can't say what is there."

The partners drilled on this

In the case of oll, the drilling is on block 15/13, north east of Piper, where a small quantity is said to have been produced but still has to be

Vintage toy discovery could fetch £500,000

Dunbee-Combex-Marx, Brit-ain's and Europe's largest toy group, believes it has stumbled on a new realizable asset—two collections totalling some 12,000

vintage toys.

A large proportion were found after DCM took over Louis Marx, the leading United States manufacturer. They were in a locked, forgotten store.

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The toys, some dating back to 1912 but most from the period 1935 to 1950, could be worth well over £500,000 according to Mr Richard Beecham, DCM's chairman.

To the United States find have been added nearly 1,000 mys from a collection held by Schuco, the West German toy maker which DCM has also bought. Both Mark and Schuco had collected examples of other manufacturers' products as well as their turers' products as well as their

Among the Marx collection. found when Mr Beecham inves-tigated a Pennsylvania storerears, are many toys popular in the 1930s. They include clock-work train sets, diecast vehicles and aeroplanes and wind-up figures in tip, including repre-sentations of Charlie Charlin, Disney characters and Charlie McCarthy.
Sotheby is to auction the toys,

someon is to autenin the toys, starting with an offering of cearly 400 in Los Angeles next Sunday. A New York auctionwill follow on June 3 with another in London on June 15. Others in West Germany, Switzerland, Italy and Japan are likely to follow.

Air Beecham said: It is probcomplete collection of manufacturers' toys has gone to auction.

Mr Beecham, backed hy
Sotheby's expectations, helieves
many individual items will ferch more than £100.

"We have yet to see what the market values really are. There could be a lot of people with this sort of thing tucked away in their actics who could be surprised by the value." He described the likely profit from the toy collection as an unexpected bonus from DCM's two company purchases. In April last year DCM paid \$15m (about £8.8m) to Quaker Oats for the toy interests of the Louis Marx group in north America and Hongkong. About \$55m in assets have already been 55m in assets bave already been sold and a \$16m loss turned into

a small profit.
Turnover this year is being budgeted at \$70m compared with \$50m last year. Mr Beecham is also looking to turn round the fortunes of Schuco which he brought from the liquidator at the end of last

year.
Mr Beecham will not sell all the toys in the collections. DCM ls to start an exilibition of its

own.
While he faulted the old
Louis Marx management for
collecting and then forgetting such a museum of toys, he adlishments in Britain there could be other vintage assets.
"I know there are several thousand at Swansea, for instance", he said.

Derek Harris

Mowlem

International Construction Group

Chaleman Sir Edgar Beck CBE reports ... ■ Group profits up 81%.

Maximum permitted dividend recommended. This increased dividend is covered 4.7 times. I for 2 Scrip The U.K. Building Company has continued to trade

at a satisfactory level of purnover and profits while the Civil Engineering Company has achieved a considerable increase in turnover with good profit To Overseas a number of contracts have been

successfully completed. In the Middle East a joint company has been formed to undertake work in Abu Dhabi and several contracts have already been obtained. Our associate company, Barciay-Mowlem, had another successful year in Australasia. During 1976 we completed the acquisition of Duke

& Ockenden, manufacturers of drilling equipment for water wells and the mining industry. Since the end of the year we have also acquired the assets of Emest Ireland (Contractors) Limited.

Our order book remains satisfactory at home and overseas, where we expect to increase our turnover in the current year. Barring unforeseen circumstances I look forward to another good year.

Summary of Results Year ended 3 1st December	1976	±975
·	£'000	£'00a
lumover	120,231	124,650
Profit before tax	4,25t	2,528
Tax	. 2,26£	3,245
Remined profits for the year	2,563	675
Earnings per share	22.91p	14.6p
Dividend (including tax credit)	7.503890бр (G.821719p



To the Holders of

Compañía Anónima Nacional Teléfonos de Venezuela

81/4% Guaranteed Sinking Fund Debentures Due 1987

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Fiscal Agency Agreement dated as of December 15, 1972 providing for the above Debentures, \$350,000 principal amount of said Debentures bearing the following serial numbers have been selected for redemption on June 15, 1977. through operation of the Sinking Fund, at the principal amount thereof, together with accrued interest



currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts. Said Debentures will be paid, upon presentation and surrender thereof with all coupons appertaining thereto matering after the redemption date, at the option of the holder either (a) at the corporate trust office of Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 15 Broad Street, New York, N.Y. 10015, or (b) at the main offices of any of the following: Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York in Brussels, Frankfurt am Main, London, Paris and Zurich; Bank Mees & Hope NV in Amsterdam; Banca Vonwiller & C. Sp.A. in Milan and Rome and Credit Industriel d'Alsace et de Lorraine, S.A. in Luxembourg, Payments at the offices referred and chemi industries in Arisace et de Fariane, 3-2. In Industries of Arisace and the sacrount to in (b) above will be made by check drawn on a dollar account, or by transfer to a dollar account maintained by the payee with a bank in New York City.

Coupons due Jone 15, 1977 should be detached and collected in the usual manner.

On and after June 15, 1977 interest shall cease to accrue on the Debentures herein designated for

Dated: May 12, 1977

Compañía Anónima Nacional Teléfonos de Venezuela

The following Debentures previously called for redemption have not as yet been presented for DEBENTURES OF \$1,000 EACH

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Wilmot Breeden



	1976	Increa on 197
ales	£83.33 million	+28
re-tax profit	£6.211 million	+120
arnings per share	13.7 p	+136
ividend	2.75898 p	+12.6
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Some highlights from the Review of the Chairman, Mr D L Breeden;

- Group overseas earnings continue high but UK profit also improved and
- 1977 likely to be a year of consolidation, further advances looked for in 1978.
- 1976 UK demand for motor components higher than forecast but early 1977 trading affected by customers' industrial disputes. Factory reorganisation will give further economies when complete in 1978.
- Truflo (power generation, valves and air movement) had major expansion in exports.
- Loss in electronics sector brings steps to reduce operation and thereafter expand on solid foundation.
- Telchoist (vehicle hydraulics) with profits again up 60% shows programme of spending on modern plant pays off.

Copies of the Report and Accounts can be obtained from the Secretary Wilmot Breeden (Holdings) Limited PO Box 173, Amington Road, Birmingham B25 8EW

New anti-dumping duty imposed to halt Japanese steel shipment

By Peter Hill Industrial Correspondent Tough action against Japan-ese steel imports was announced by the Government last night. Imports of steel flats from Japan are to be the subject of an immediate £15 a tonne anti-dumping duty aimed . at heading off a large shipment now on its way to the United

This is the second duty to be imposed by the Government against Japanese imports—a 620 a tonne duty on steel sections was introduced last month pending completion of a full anti-dumping investigation into imports of both flats and

The latest move follows the strongly-worded speech given

by Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, in talks last month in Tokyo and represents a further illustration of his department's willingness to act if adequate evidence of dumping can be provided.

But within Whitehall it is now acknowledged that further action against Japan could lead to retaliatory action and pos-sibly threaten voluntary Japan-ese restraint on other exports

to the United Kingdom.

News of the latest controls was given by Mr Meacher, Under Secretary of State for Trade when he met a party of State for the state of the Sheffield MPs, trade unionists, and management representa-tives with Mr Huckfield, Under

hoped shortly to amounce quantity and price arrange-ments for imports of steel rein-This would ensure a far better future for the industry than anti-dumping action, he said. Mr Meacher agreed to raise the question of extending the surveillance, licensing system being introduced by the EEC as part of the and-crisis package

to embrace certain selected special steel products. He also explained that in view of growing concern in Europe at the level of Japanese stainless steel exports to the Community, a team of EEC officials would be having talks in Tokyo next week as part of Secretary of State for Industry. an investigation into complet He also disclosed that he from European producers.

DM5,000m

Bonn, May 18.
Contrary to all expectations, the West German Federal Bank decided today to pump nearly DM5,000 (£1,180m) into the banking system, with effect from the beginning of next

month, to prevent any strains on the domestic money market.

After a meeting of its central council in Frankfurt, the bank announced that it would cut

Frankfurt financiers were sur-prised by the measures, which they interpreted as a Federal

Bank move to stimulate the German economy in view of its

recent sluggish growth perfor-

£11m Cementation deal

Cementation International

part of the Trafalgar House

Group, hes been awarded an £11.3m contract to build and

equip two 28 storey blocks of flats in Teheran, Iran. The order is for the first phase of

the Tai community development projects Completion is expected

boost for

economy

Crédit Suisse details management changes

Crédit Suisse in Zurich today innounced its new management lineup after the resignations last week of Dr Heinz Wuffli, the president of the bank's general management, and Hr Sergio Demieville, one of the deputy general managers. At a meeting today, the bank's board also fixed June 24 for the extraordinary share-tholders' meeting being called to discuss the losses incurred by Credit Suisse's branch in-Chiasso.

Herr Hans Hartung end Herr Robert Jeker are being promoted from deputy general managers to full general managers Herr Rainer Gut and Herr Walter Fessier already bold this position so that the

bank will now have four full general managers. The board also appointed The board also appointed three new deputy general managers to take the places of Messrs Hartung, Jeker and Demieville. They are Dr Hans Frey, Dr Hugo von der Crone and Dr William Wirth.

Herr Gut has also been appointed spokesman for the bank's general management.

Born in 1932, his career in banking has taken him through banking has taken him through Paris, London and New York. According to this evening's statement from Crédit Suisse,

the minimum reserves, which banks have to hold in non-interest bearing deposits at the Federal Bank, by 5 per cent statement from Crédit Suisse, he took over the management of the bank's New York subsidiary, Swiss Assistican Corporation, in 1971; was appointed a deputy general manager of Crédit Suisse in 1973 and a fall general manager in 1975. from June 1.
In addition to this measure. which is expected to increase bank liquidity by a total of DM2,300m, it decided to raise the so-called rediscount quotas by DM2,500m from the same date

Volvo to build £17m truck plant in Brazil

By Clifford Webb Volvo, the Swedish motor proup which already dominates the British heavy truck market, has now turned its sights on another of the world's main truck users—Brazil. Yesterday it amounced that building work has started there on a £17m plant which will produce 6,000 trucks and buses annually. With its vast distances and rapid industrialization Brazil is

rapid industrialization Brazil is demanding more and more heavy trucks. It is now the third largest truck market in the world. But Volvo clearly wants to

use the new plant which be-comes operational in 1979 as a base from which to attack mar-kets outside Brazil as Volkswagen and Flat are already do-ing with Brazilian made cars. Volvo holds 16 per cent of the British heavy truck market and about 12 per cent in Europe as a whole.

Third lager introduced by Courage By Derek Harris

By Derek Herris

Courage, the browing subsidiary of imperial Tobacco, yesterday eanounced that its new commental lager, is to be Henninger-Brau's Hofmelster. It will be test-marketed in 200 outlets in the Yorkshire enea for five months and in a few selected houses in London.

The intention is to establish the brand as Courage's third lager alongside Harp and Kronenbourg and to brew under licence at Tadcaster and the new Reading brewery new under construction.

Although Courage said yes-

Although Courage said yes-terday that there was scope for a third lager in its product range, there was bound to be speculation that the group was bosening its ties with the Harp consortium.

Holmeister, a brand name chosen for the British market, will sell at the same price as

£1,600m budget approved by United Arab Emirates

From Ann Fyfs Dubei, May 18

A 1977 budget totalling 10,900m dirhams (£1,600m) was approved by the United Arab Emirates National Assembly

yesterday. Although the figure repre-sents an increase of 163 per cent on 1975, the overwhelming bulk of that increase in accounted for by the inclusion for the first time of a number of the big spending Abu Dhabi depart-

ments formerly under the aegis
of the Finance Department.
The Assembly failed after
heated debate to persuade the
Government to reveal the level of each emirate's participation. Shaikh Hamdan bin Rashed of Dubai, the Finance Minister, did, however, reveal that as far

as he knew Dubat had agreed to contribute 20 per cent of her annual revenue to the federal Abu Dhabi announced before

the 1976 Budget that 50 per cent of her revenue was to be Of this year's total some 5,600m dirhams are accounted for by the transfer of Abu Dhabi's Departments of Health, Information and Education to the federal authorities plus the allocation of 1,600m dirhams for investment. Excluding these new chapters, the 1977, Budget shows an increase of only 135m dirhems over the comparable 1976 total.

That small increase is itself largely because of increases in current expenditure.

Business appointments

Building societies'

chairman

and the general manager of the Nationwide Building Society, becomes deputy chairman.

Mr Kerry Packer, chairman and managing director of Consolidated Press Holdings of Australia, has joined the board of Trident Television. Mr Smart Wilson is leaving the Trident board to start his own business.

Mr R. L. M. Macaulay is to retire from the partnership of Phillips & Drew on May 31. Mr Richard Lawrence and Mr George Gray will join the partnership from June 1.

Mr Lionel Anthony, finance director of the NCB Opencast executive, has been made deputy director general of investments in charge of industrial finance investments of the NCB pension finds.

charge of industrial manker investments of the NCB pension funds.

Mr B. J. Hughes and Mr B. Swann have been appointed to the board of Linread.

Mr Richard Boddy has joined the board of ECC Quarries.

Mr Nigel MacEwan, Mr Stephen Licht and Mr Simon Grandage have been made directors of Credit Suisse White Weld.

Mr Gospatrick Home has been made managing director of Model & Allied Publications, following the retirement of Mr D. J. Laidlaw-Dickson.

Mr F. A. Buncher betomes a director of Central Line Securities.

Mr D. W. H. Farmer and Mr A. R. Randag have been made alternate directors.

Mr. C. Green and Dr. B. S. Gorringe join the board of Gesteiner Stirling and Mr. D. A. Smith becomes a director of Gesteiner Byfleet.

Mr. Charles Tidbury, chief executive of Whithread, has been appointed denote charges and appointed deputy chairman

Higgs and Hill Limited

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	1974	1975	1978
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Turnover	68,000	82,000	102,000
Profit pre-tax	2,010	2,180	2.775
Special Provisions	1,021	والمتعارض المارا	500
Profit after tax	475	1,046	1,117.

Extracts from the 1976 Statement by the Chairman, Mr. E. W. Phillips, M.B.E.

am pleased to report for 1976 a pre-tax profit of £2,775,000, another record for the Company and approximately £250,000 more than was forecast in my interim statement. Against this figure there has to be set the £500,000 doubtful debt provision which was announced at the half-year, leaving a Group profit before taxation of £2,275,000. Turnover for the Group exceeded £100 million for the first time.

Directors are again recommending the maximum dividend permitted making a total for the year of 3.0734p per share against 2.794p for 1975.

Since the year-end the ratio of borrowings to shareholders' funds has been substantially reduced by the sale of two property investments which together have achieved a realisation of £3.43 million.

Higgs and Hill Building Limited and Higgs and Hill Northern Limited together contributed the major portion of the Group's turnover and profit. ...

Our intake of new building orders in the United Kingdom during 1976 was well below that of recent years but because of our heavy bias towards long-term projects this shortfall will have a delayed effect and our concern is for 1978. Our reputation in the industry continues to generate a high level of enquiries and I have every confidence in our ability to ride the present recession. We have decided to concentrate our overseas efforts on two main areas—the Middle East and the East Caribbean. In the Middle East we are operating a whollyowned subsidiary in Bahrain and a joint company in-Saudi Arabia and are shortly to begin our first jointventure contract in Qatar. In Trinidad work started during the year on the major East-West Comidor road.

Our housebuilding division, Higgs and Hill Homes Limited, has continued to establish itself as a separate profit centre and is regarded as a growth area for the

In France, our residential scheme near Paris and our industrial development at Nice have both progressed well and will make welcome profit contributions in 1977, My present expectation is that the Company's profits available for distribution in respect of 1977 will be no ess than those achieved in 1976.



Building and Civil Engineering Contractors

Crown House, Kingston Road, New Maltien, Surrey.



New acquisitions affect results

Points from Mr. J. A. H. Norman's circulated statement:

- Sales increased by 24% helped by additional stores and sterling depreciation.
- Profit; however, fell 22% below the previous year peak due to initial impact of recent acquisitions and difficult trading in Canada.
- Revaluation of U.K. properties showed substantial surplus over book values.

٠.	Trading results for the 52 weeks ended 29th January 1977 1976
	Sales £85,878,000 £69,319,000 Group profit before tax £2,203,000 £2,832,000
	Group profit after tax; minority interest
:	Net dividends 2.3250
	Earnings per ordinary share 9.96p 12.19p

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Deputy Managing Director: Mr.A.J. (Tony) South

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els issued vesterday show. BTH says it is maintaining a the 28 hotels in the group high level of investment in eved an operating profit of modernization, and refurbishment of the station units.

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Train catering sales were that BTH describes, as a also hit by the drop in rail beautial contribution to passenger volume and the loss fits which were an from incurred in operating the ser
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Grosvenor Hotel at victoria

Grosvenor Hotel at victoria

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Restaurant car menus have

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£6.7m Bolivia microwave deal

- GEC - - Telecommunications, which two months ago completed work on the world's highest - microwave radlo telecommunications system, in the Bolivian High Andes, has now won a £6.7m turnkey contract

GEC said the contract; would make an important addition to the development of telecommunications in South and Central America, where the com-pany has installed microwaveradio equipped national trunk networks for Bolivis, Chile, Costa Bick, El Salvador, Guyana and Peru. These systems, to-gether with international connexions, represent a total radio-channel length in Latin America alone of 18,650 miles.

Warning on Burton redundancy scheme

By Ronald Kershaw

There was a danger that Montague Burron group was overreacting to market condi-tions, said Mr Alec Smith. assistant general secretary of the National Union of Tailors Garment Workers, and that "the cure" they were prescribing—1,400 redundan-cies—"might kill the patient". This conclusion was reached as trade union leaders were halfway through studying "a mass of information" made available by the company coefficiency levels, sources of

supply and projections for the rest of this year. The marked swing to lessurewear garments has been blamed as a main cause of Burton's problems.

Mr Smith said the indi-cations were that there was now a swing back to formal wear again, and by removing the ability to make suits the company would not be able to meet demand when it arose.

Another conclusion was that the company should supply a great volume of clothing to its retail outlets from within the Burton organization. Burton organization.

Mr Smith said that while the

company supplied a fair amount to its retail shops there was room for improve-ment. We have to ity and persuade the company to prov.de more merchandise for its own shops instead of importing it from other sources."

He admitted thei commercial considerations did not always make this possible. He said: "If there is a sudden demand for blue blazers and you are short but the chap down the road has a warehouse full you road has a warehouse full, you go to him."

Mr Smith said that after studying the information it had become clear that the amount of women's wear that could be made by Burton employees would be sufficient to sustain employment levels. brought down to competitive

Auditors could 'police' productivity pay schemes, BIM says

Management leaders vester-day told Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, that to police self-financing productivity chemes, if these could be introduced in the next stage of pay policy to give a measure of flexibility.

A three-man delegation from the Bruish Institute of Manage-ment, led by Sir Derek Ezra, BIM council chairman, saw Mr Booth to discuss the pay issue. The BIM representatives made it clear that they saw the need for a third round of pay policy, but insisted that if it was to work it would need to eave roon for differentials payments and incentives

The greater part of the meeting, which was later described as "very useful" by Sir Derek, was taken up with discussion on how productivity schemes might be made self-financing.

The BIM delegation suggested that one way would be to reach an agreement with the to reach an agreement with the trade unions which would then be put to the auditors to ascerrain that it was, in fact, possible to check that it was self-

financing.
The auditors would then be expected to examine the schen expected to examine the attended regularly and to issue a certifi-cate, probably at six-monthly intervals, confirming that the scheme was operating along the agreed lines. The certificates



Mr Booth told the BIM team that he was convinced there would have to be a pay agrement with the unions by Juce or July at the latest. A special TUC conference would probably be necessary to ratify it.

Sir Derek said after the meeting that they had discussed "kitty" principle, and had told. Mr Booth that if such a scheme were introduced it would have to be devised in such a way that each interest group had an appropriate share. In particular, the position of managers would have to be safeguarded.

Threat to Jaguar speed up

Ten Year Graphs

Profit After Taxation

Turnover & Assets Employed

Equity Per Share

more than 2,000 Jaguar em-ployees in Coventry yesternay rise they will not cooperate in stepping up production. The planned increase in output could mean about 700 new jobs.

. The policy of non-cooperation was agreed by the joint shop stewards' committee at the Jaguar engine and component plant at Radford, which sup-

they were not prepared to take part in any increase planned beyond the 700 vehicles a west

the Levland management in-stead of simply announcing they should also consider immedi

Ellis & Goldstein (Holdings) Limited

1977 RESULTS Year to 31 January £000 £000 28,545 28,765 Turnover 2,130 Prefit before taxation Taxation Total ordinary dividend 1.705p Earnings per stock unit

Points from the statement by the chairman, Mr David Cannon

Turnover remained practically the same as last year because the decline in the home market was compensated for by increased exports. Lower sales of coats and suits were replaced by growth in the lighter, less tailored

There was substantial improvement in retail sales abroad. This increase, particularly in Australia, Canada and Sweden, is gratifying.

The balance sheet is strong and again shows the benefit arising from stock appreciation relief and our available cash resources are considered adequate for foreseeable

In the last quarter, we began work on the necessary factor, extension at North Shields. We are also continuing the

replacement of knitting machinery at Leicester. For the immediate future, the opportunity is being taken to accommodate changes in demand. While the present sales of spring merchandise are satisfactory and initial indications of autumn orders are good, these do not provide a sufficiently secure foundation upon which to forecast the outcome of next year.

After almost fifty years in the business, I shall retire at the end of June and be succeeded by William Goldstein. I would like to add my personal appreciation to our staff for their work this year, also to them and their predecessors for the support they





300m Forth oil plan has 'hazards'

proposed 200m Shell/developments at Mossmor-

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astrophic tank failure still." They recommend fire water

also note the consequences of a rupture, in the natural gas liquid pipeline from St Fergus to Mossmortan would be extremely serious.
To minimize the effects of an

unconfined vapour cloud explosion and vapour travel at Mossmorran, the report recommends the separation distance between the process blocks at the gas plant and the Esso ethylene cracker ulear should be a minimum of 300 metres. Administration blocks and workshops should be sited at the boundary

Eccause of the effects from " possible incidents " the report nends the renousi the whole community of 100 people living in 60 houses at Gray Park housing estate. Mr Millan, Secretary of State for Scotland, is to hold a public

Oil companies invest more

By Peter Hill Industrial Correspondent

in chemicals

Major oil companies are .cxpected to become much more closely involved in the chemicals industry over the next few years, it was forecast yesterday by Mr Bill Thomson, chairman of Shell Chemicals United King-

He told a symposium in London that it was clear that the voting a larger proportion of their capital expenditure to chemical industry investment.

Most companies, he said, were not stopping with the produc-tion of the basic lower olefins (erbylene and butadiene) and aromatica products, but were-increasingly moving further into "downstream": product areas:

Mr Thomson said that the oil companies were looking to in-vestment in perochemicals as a means of enhancing the use and value of crude oil. The real reason for increased interest in chemicals was that the oil comover the traditional chemical basic petrochemicals because of access to a variety of feedstocks.

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for Taylor Woodrow." Net Earnings Per Share & Gross Dividends

The 42nd Annual General Meeting of Taylor: Friday 10th June. Mr. R. G. Puttick reports: It is with very great pleasure I record that our team has been honoured by receiving its third Queen's Award to Industry, It has been conferred upon Taylor Woodrow International Limited for the second time, in recognition of outstanding export

"Another not unsatisfactory year

Again I am pleased to report that our operations at home and overseas have produced a not unsatisfactory profit and thus achieved record results for your Group for the sixteenth consecutive year. This has been sustained by our diversification and world-wide activities and not least by the unstinting efforts of our team

Accounts & Dividends

The turnover of the Group in 1976, including associated companies, was £413 million compared with £330 million in 1975—an increase of 25% Profits before taxation were £20,997,000, an increase of 42% over the previous year.

After deduction of taxation and minority interests the balance remaining was £9,136,000 which, with the addition of extraordinary items of £2.841,000, gave a profit of £11,977,000 available to Taylor Woodrow Limited. This is an increase of 47% compared with the amount of £8,159,000 available in 1975.

The Board have recommended a final dividend of 5.0p per share which, together with the interim dividend, makes a total of 6.8p per share for the year, which was the rate forecast at the time of the rights issue in April 1976. After addition of imputed tax credit at 35%, this equals 10.4615p per share, compared with 7.7560p per share paid in respect of 1975.

Despite substantial capital expenditure of . £23 million in the year, a major part of which was in the UK, we finished the year with liquid funds of £32 million, an improvement of £12 million over the previous year.

It is important to realise that in this industry, the size, complexity and duration of many contracts are such that the results of the Group should be judged over a period of years and not by taking a single year in isolation. Inflation Accounting

Considerable controversy continues to surround the question of inflation accounting, following the publication by the accountancy bodies last November of a draft standard based on current

Whilst agreeing that recognition of the effects of initiation on profits is of considerable importance, the proposals as they stand are far too complex and their operation could lead to an intolerable burden on management.

Research into the subject, so far as it affects the Taylor Woodrow Group, is continuing but until a firm standard has been established your board approximate adjustments.

The construction industry in the UK has frequently been used as an economic regulator. In times of boom the industry has been required to meet excessive demands and in times of recession its work-load has often been abruptly curtailed by cut-backs in public expenditure. The construction industry in this country is at present undergoing one of the worst and most prolonged recessions

While we recognised the need to cut public expenditure (and as an industry we do not expect to escape unscathed) the cuts should be made where the expenditure has so dramatically increased in the recent past, i.e., in unproductive bureaucracy and extravagancies in social services that our country cannot afford rather than cuts in capital projects. The longer the industry is allowed to run down, the greater will be the problem in getting a building programme going again when the present recession ends.

Our expansion overseas and diversification into specialist operations are now standing us in good stead and made a substantial contribution to our results in 1976.

In evidence submitted to the Bullock Committee last year, your board opposed the proposal for trade union directors and legislation to govern employee participation. Our evidence may be briefly summarised to the effect that trace union directors would bring argument, contention and confrontation into the board rooms. The polarization of views could result in deadlock situations which would be disastrous in view of the need for a company to make rapid decisions if opportunities for business are not to be missed. The effective working of the boards would be

Furthermore, in view of the diverse nature of industry no one system of participation should be imposed and each company should be allowed to develop employee participation in accordance with the needs and requirements of that company. In Taylor Woodrow we are proud of the fact that 98% of the directors in the Group were promoted from within and are worker directors. The report of the Committee was issued in

January, 1977 and has been widely publicised since. If the majority report is implemented by legislation then your board feel that this will result in nothing less than the end of private enterprise in this country. We shall therefore continue to oppose vigorously the recommendations of the Bullock Committee on the grounds that they are against the interests of you, our shareholders, of our team, of trade unionists and of the whole

R. G. PUTTICK





The world-wide team of engineers, constructors and developers

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INTERIM STATEMENT (Unaudited)

May 1 1976 or the six months ended May 2

In order to reduce the dispartiy between the interim nd final payments an increased interim dividend of 1p on the Ordinary Shares (against 0.7p) has been declared payable in 1st July, 1977, absorbing, together with the half-year's

reference dividend	paid pn. 30th April, 1977, a total of
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By Peter Hill Industrial Correspondent

European steelmakers are still languishing in the depths of a recession which has dogged the industry for almost two years, and which has prompted anti-crisis measures to be taken by the EEC Commission.

Latest production indicators published by the Commission showed that output in the first four months of this year amounted to 42.6 million tonnes, representing a 3 per cent fall on the level achieved in the corresponding period of last year. Output in April fell by 12.3 per cent to 10.14 million tonnes compared with the pretonnes compared with the pre-vious month, and was 9 per cent lower than in the correspond-ing month of 1976. The Commission noted that

steel production in the early part of last year had increased steadily, reaching a peak for the year of 12.06 million tonnes in May, but the upward trend ended towards the end of July

Production in all EEC steelmaking countries fell back dur-ing April, said the Commission, with Belgian steelmakers suffering the sharpest decline in output compared with the pre-vious month, with a fall of 16 per cent. Output of the West German industry fell by 14.3 per cent, the United Kingdom by 11.5 per cent, while the French recorded a 13 per cent fall and Italy a drop of 8.2

per cent.
The West German steel industry reported yesterday that the inflow of orders of rolled steel products fell to 1.87 million tonnes during April com-pared with 2.18 million tonnes in March, and orders exceeded deliveries by the industry.

New move on **GEC-Parsons** merger talks

By Our Industrial Editor Mr Leslie Murphy, deputy chairman of the National Enterprise Board, is making renewed efforts to bring together GEC and Reyrolle Pursous to find a formula for rationalization in the transcentation manufacture. the turbo-senerator manufactur ing industry. The move follows the Prime Minister's meeting on

Monday with Sir Arnold Weinstock, GEC's managing director.
The parties have not talked together in any detail since a meeting arranged in late April Relationships between GEC end Parsons are strained, so any

hopes for an early resolution of differing attitudes towards the creation of a new turbogenerator company will call for considerable negotiating skill by the NEB Meanwhile, GEC announced yesterday that it has been short-listed to tender for a major Australian power station order, to be placed in October, for two 500 MW sets worth £25m, with an option to bid for a

Results -

agriculture and overseas.

charges to rise.

further two sets in the early

BAC's final annual report before state takeover shows profits surge

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent British Aircraft Corporation (Holdings) Ltd. yesterday announced record sales, exports, profits and earnings per share in its last annual report before nationalization.

In a note with the accounts

it cast doubt on the wisdom of the Government's decision to put the aircraft industry into public ownership.

BAC recalled that the aerospace industry was referred to as a prime candidate for nationalization in Labour's pro-gramme for 1973, and the concept was promoted by a joint working party for the Labour Party, the TUC and the Con-federation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions in a state-

Unit trust figures released

yesterday show that direct net investment in units was in

deficit during the first quarter

of the year with net redemp-

Figures for unit linked

activity, the unit trust element of insurance policies linked to

managed funds, and equity bonds show net investment totalling £21.15m for the first

three months of the year, against a total of £15.8m for

direct non-linked unit trust sales, implying a deficit of around £5.4m for the latter in

the opening quarter of the

A spokesman for the Unit Trust Association confirmed that this was the first time that

direct sales had met with such

a reversal, although the pro-portion of linked sales has been increasing steadily over the

last few years.

The industry does not seem worried by the trend, and, indeed, the stability of linked business is welcomed by most

To some extent, the level of

repurchases reflects the high level of stock market as unit

holders either take their profit of get out when they break

Liverpool dock

strike continues

managers.

in unit

bour Party.

Then and since no evidence had been offered to show why and how the aerospace in-dustry's operations would be improved for its own and the

"Those responsible in Par-liament for brigging about this change in ownership for doctrinaire political reasons will have created additional and unnecessary burdens for the management of the recentlymanagement of the recently-established British Aerospace, burdens which can only be suc-cessfully borne by professional managers with ingenuity and resourcefulness of the highest

went in July, 1974, approved would be able to master these by the national executive of the new problems and maintain or better the progress made under private ownership.

under private ownership.

In the annual report, BAC recorded total sales of £483m, compared with £307m for 1975.

Trading-profit was £33m (£25m) and group profit before taxation £39m (£30m). Group profit after taxation and ex-£19m (£14m) with earnings per share 64p (47.2p).

New orders received in 1976 amounted to £664m, leaving orders in hand at the end of the year at £1,031m, compared with £850m at the end of 1975. More than 75 per cent of the orders were for export, mainly for military products and support It was to be hoped they

Investment Economic fuel pricing will aid conservation trusts falls

By Ronald Kershaw

Dr John Cunningham; Under-Secretary of State for Energy, on a two-day tour of Yorkshire and Humberside, told energy managers that economic fuel pricing would help conservation and ensure the highest energy efficiency.

The wend of energy priceswould be upwards. Wasteful habits tied to cheap energy no longer made sense, he said. Dr Cunningham said the Goveroment could not take people's

energy decisions for them, but it could get the economic sig-nels working in the right direction and allow energy prices to reflect the true costs of production. "We have maintained from

the beginning that the energy manager must have access to, or better still, be part of top management. He must have the commitment of the senior de-cisionmakers in the company." Dr Cunningham said that for ong-term investments a future

view of energy prices was essen-He said: "All I can say is that price trends will be up-



Cunningham: mic signals.

"With Britain only three years away from net energy self-sufficiency our problems of energy supply and energy use in the immediate future are economic problems.

"We shall have plenty of energy for a limited time, but it will be expensive", he said. "Oil from the North Sea is very profitable but also very expensive to produce, so we won't be getting it cheaply. The price will reflect the cost."

Standstill at Chloride plants costs £1.5m

By R. W. Shakespeare The strike and sit in by 5,000 workers who are occupying two manufacturing organization, is costing the company lost pro-duction of £1.5m a week in

Both factories, at Clifton Junction, Swinton, near Man Crester, end Dagenham, Essex, have been at a standstill since Monday morning with senior management "locked out" both plants.

. The dispute centres largely on the rejection by five unions the rejection by five unions to the transport and General Workers Union to which the majority of the Chloride workers belong-of a productivity deal.

This would enable the workers to catalities as the five transport of the chorice in addition to the five the control of the five transport of the fi

bonus in addition to the 5 per cent wage increase they have received under phase two of the Government's incomes strategy.

'However, shop floor repre-sentatives claim that other issues, apart from productivity are involved in their grievances including pensions, working arrangements and the import of The company claims that with

GEC is among orders who have manufactured higher rated machines than Parsons. average wages running at £76 a week it has been paying for productivity that has not been delivered, and at cannot afford There was considerable sur-prise in our offices this morning when we read that our technology was "largely American based". In fact we are proud that our technology to go on doing so. It says that production in the British plants ust be brought into line with its manufacturing centres overis completely British Clearly.

With entrance to the big fac-tory at Clifton Junction barred to them by the 3,500 workers who are staging a sicin, a team of 25 senior Chlorida executives Mr Thomas tells us that have set up a temporary head-quarters in a motel at Bolton to deal with customer inquiries particularly from Europe Mr Peter Berry, manufactur ing director for Chloride, said

"There have been no approaches or developments towards a solution of the probtowards a solution of the prob-lem, but we are prepared to talk to union representatives "We have made it clear that we are keen to resolve the dis-pute as soon as possible, but we are lissistem that real produc-tivity improvement is of funda-mental importance."

"neither British turbo genera-tor company has received an export order for almost six months" (attributing this to the delay in ordering Drax and the delay in ordering Drax and the of a problem than elsewhere. uncertainty over restructuring. Mr Thomas tells us that the of the industry). While it may Government are now trying to

Mr Thomas asserts that the trade union and labour movement at large is hostile to GEC. I hope this is not true. Mr Thomas does not seem to have caken enough notice of the views of the shop stewards in the GEC turbine generator plants. Maybe that is because our stewards do not represent workers in his constituency, situated in that highly politically sensitive area, the North-Bast of England A member of them, indeed, come from the often surprisingly ignored area, Northern Ireland, where unemployment is certainly no less of a problem than elsewhere.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

a contract valued at £70m. Last

a contract valued at £70m. Last month, also, we received the Queen's Award to Industry which, as Mr Thomas will know, was given for export achievement over the past three years. I agree entirely that the upheaval involved in the restructuring of any industry could have some effect on overseas ordering. But it is samply not true to say that overseas customers are concerned about

tomers are concerned about different parts being built at different plants. If Mr Thomas had consulted C. A. Parsons

before he wrote his letter they should have advised han that

manufacturing different parts in different plants can assist in standardization and the

reduction of costs; major turbine manufacturers in the world, including GEC adopt

Mr Thomas asserts that the

this practice.

GEC's view of the power plant.

rationalization controversy From Lord Nelson of Stafford be true that Parsons have not get the various parties together sir. While we at GEC are had any significant export under the auspices of the NEB always grateful for constructive let alone six months, that does carion of the Central Policy Received and advice, I feel I not apply to GEC.

Only last month we signed comed an approach from the not apply to GEC.

Only last month we signed comed in approach from the contract to provide plant NEB to discuss the role we for the second phase of South might play in a restructured Africa's Duvha power station—industry, and we outside the contract valued at £70m Last. industry, and we outselves put forward suggestions of the NEB indicating that we would be willing to talk both to them and to Persons whenever they wished.

A meeting, arranged April 25, was cancelled at the lest moment, we understand by Passons. We have not heard from Parsons since. I hope this does not mean that any concern they may have for the future of the industry as a whole evaporates in the heat of their surrety to promote the claims of Heaton. Yours faithfully,

NELSON OF STAFFORD. Chairman of GEC Limited, Stanbope Gate,

From Mr Mike Thomas, MP for Sir, Thank you for publishing inday (May 13) my letter of May 11. However, in fairness to out that it was written prior to the Prime Minister's commitment in the House of Commons on May 12 that the Drax order would have to be placed wintever the result of the consultations on re-structuring of the industry. This represents change in Government policy. MIKE THOMAS.

House of Comm

Developing a discipline in resource economics

Sir, While we at GEC are

statements in Mr Mike Thomas's

letter (May 18) concerning the

restructuring of the United

Kingdom power plant manu-

facturing industry. It would be.

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gress anwards à rational solution

of this nationally important

Mr Thomas says that C. A.

Parsens produce "the most

efficient turbo generators in service with the CEGB. This

is irrelevant: the 'tubine'

generators to which he refers

are of a type to longer ordered

by the CEGR. Both GEC and

Parsons have introduced more

advanced designs which are

currently being supplied and

commissioned. As for his claim that Parsons have manufactured

"the highest rated nuclear turbo generators in the world".

problem, to go uncorrected. -

aluminium at the present level of gold and we would not use

mechanism. Birming
It will be much less wasterul May 10.

Prom Professor A. D. McQuillan it for beer cans, no matter how if for the purposes of future Sir, Professor Nurting (May 10) is right, of course, about the availability of metals being a matter of having the energy placed the emphasis on resource available to process ever leaner ores as we use up the rich deposits, rather than the absolute magnitude of mineral reserves. But from all practical view points, the effect will be the same as if he were not.

If it is to become economically viable to process the leaner ores the relative cost of menallic materials must increase prograssively, and there will be many purposes for which we can no longer assume that the present level many surposes for which we can no longer afford to use metals as we do now. Price aluminium at the present level mechanism.

If it is the control of the medium through the University of Birmingham, which the possible choices will be identified, but the time scale of the Resources, and the feature of the process of the can no longer afford to use the here and cow, and failure aluminium at the present level.

Pleasurama wins casino action

The 11-day-old unofficial strike of 800 clerical workers which has reduced the port of Liverpool to half capacity is to go on, possibly for another week A meeting in Transport House, Liverpool, yesterday voted overwhelmingly to accept the recommendation of the shop

stewards to stay out
The strike has already led to
the laying off of 3,500 dockers
employed by the Mersey Docks
& Harbour Company, and at
least 8 ships have been diverted from the Mersey. Mr Jimmy Symes, organizer of the Asso-ciation of Clerical Staffs, said: Letters, column 6 "hell bent" on a confrontation."

The Group's pre-tax profit for the half-year to 5th

March 1977 amounted to £20,876,000 compared with £19,683,000 for the corresponding period last

year. This constitutes a record result for a half-year.

Apart from the Bakery Division where, as mentioned at the Annual General Meeting in January, profitability

was affected by problems in the U.K. bread industry,

there were increased contributions in the period from the Group's main trading activities, particularly in.

Higher interest rates and increases in the working

capital requirements of the Group caused interest

Interim Ordinary Dividend
The Board has decided to pay on 18th July 1977

to Ordinary Shareholders registered at the close of

Pleasurama Ltd won a major legal action in the High Court yesterday, and the company stands to receive £1.163m, plus some £100,000 in interest, pending a possible appeal from a

Pleasurama, whose interests range from dancing and bingo clubs to a iion park in Australia owns a chain of pro-

The company opened a casino called the Casanora Chib, in Mayfair, London, in 1972. The club was to be run as a joint venture under the name of Mayfair Casinos Ltd, and Pleasurama sold 75 per cent of its stores in it to Chippa under sparepolders, state During its first 10 months of operation the club lost some E150,000, but in the year to September 30, 1974, it made a

ofitof £930,200. Subsequent problems, includ-ing a labour dispute over union recognition, then led to severe losses, and relations between Pleasurama and Chippa became

the year to 3rd September 1977 of 1.32p per Ordinary

shareholders of £3,593,000. This dividend, together

share (last year 1.84615p per share) or 1.97015p per

share if the conditional proposals in the Chancellor's Budget speech to reduce the rate of tax credit are

Trading profit levels are being maintained during

the second half-year in most sectors of the Group

but Group profits before taxation and extraordinary

charges for the year may be below those for last year

due almost entirely to the continuing adverse effects of the current price controls in the U.K. bread industry

and to increased working capital leading to a higher

with the related tax credit, represents 2.03077p per

share (last year 1.2p per share), involving a payment to

Chippe used its majority shareholding to siter the Articles of Association of May-fair Casinos, and this was what Mr Justice Goulding has held

3.

to be in breach or the mare holders agreement.

In May, 1975, Pleasurama served a purchase holice on Chippa to buy back the 25 per cent stake in Mayfair Casinos for £1.163m. This was followed by the High Court writ demanding specific performance.

The award is of great signifi-cance to Pleasurams, whose market capitalization is only £2.4m and whose record profit last year was £965,500.

Mr Edward Thomas, manag-ing director of Pleasurama, said last night that the Mayfair Casino interest was in Pleasurama's books at £200,000.

EEC seeks better textile deal in Gatt talks

By Our Industrial

Government ministers yesterday told textile trade union eaders that they were confideat that the European Economic Community would be pressing for major improve-ments in the scope and cover-age of the Gatt Multi Fibre Arrangement at talks in

After a meeting between Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, and Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, the TUC textiles committee said that ministers had indicated that the EEC would press for changes in the MFA which would link the growth in im-ports from third world countries to varying import penetratries and to trends in textiles

From Mr Mike Faber

Sir, Mr Desmond Quigley's dis-patch (April 25) from Johan-nesburg about De Beers's new diamond prospect at Jwaneng in Botswane is so misleading in its interpretation of recent events that I hope your readers will excuse a lengthy reply:

De Beers has already been bitten by the Botswana government in one of those seemingly favourite tricks of governments of many a hue of changing the rules after the game has begun. The perimeters (I take it that should have read parameters) governing the Orapa Mine in the northern part of the country were changed after the country were changed after the mine got into production."

Better knowledge of the case will show, I believe, that the metaphor is ill-chosen and the implication false.

made specific provision for its own renegotiation in circum-stances of this kind.

De Beers's diamond prospect in Botswana price for working them under to Mr Unigles that the lease any new arrangement will have for the Leilhakane mine and to go up.

The original Orana agreement at Orana from 23 million to 4.5 million carsts a year water precisely the consideration which induced Mr Oppenheimer We can surmise that Mr. to agree to the increase in the Oppenheimer does not much governments stake in De Beers like the price being raised Botswans from 15 to 50 per

which it is now to be calculated. The constitution of Botswa but he has accepted it and verts the ownership of its min-signed a new agreement giving eral rights in the government him what he most wants of the country on behalf of its (increased production) and the imbabitants. Most of your

(increased production) and the inhabitants. Most of yourgovernment wort it most wants readers will agree, I think, that
(a larger share of the equity what any individual deposit is
and a revised royalty formulal.

If we do need to talk in most in profitability
phore, it would be more accurate to talk about a new ball
gene with a different set of falling in its duty had it not rules agreed between the negotianed in the new situation players, and it should be noted to procure for its citizens the that it was Mr Oppenheimer full and proper price for the who wanted to make it a hew sale of these portion of their balligums.

But let us return to Mr Quig are so keen to extract.

that it was left opponentiation of their mineral weakth that the diamond deposits at Orapa turned out to be significantly richer than had been realized when the initial lease was granted, and a further deposit was discovered by De Beers Botswana to the government for nil consideration, ment of Botswana on mineral giving the company a 50 per maners under the auspices of this letter has acted on occament to nil consideration, ment of Botswana on mineral giving the company a 50 per maners under the auspices of this letter has acted on occament to nil consideration, ment of Botswana on mineral giving the company a 50 per maners under the auspices of the Commonwealth Fund for the Commonwealth for the Commonwealth Fund for the Commonwealth for the Commonwealth Fund for the Commonwealth f

Joseph Rank, Chairman

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business on 20th June 1977 an interim dividend for Consolidated profit statement for the half-year ended 5 March 1977

Announcement of Interim Results

implemented.

overall interest charge.

		6 March 1977	28 Feb. 1976	· 4 Sept 1976
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(53 weeks)
		£000	£000	0003
	Turnover	CER 200	E00 000	4 004 000
-	Total sales	658,000 98,000	508,000 66,000	1.054,000
4	Deduct: Sales within the Group for further processing			133,000
	External sales	560,000	442,000	921,000
	Profit on trading before rationalisation costs			
	and depreciation	33,757	29,557	52,040
	Rationalisation costs	1,198	291	2,128
		32,559	29,266	59,912
	Depreciation	7,109	5,964	12,736
	4.5.8	25,450	23,302	47,176
-	Interest	5,496	4,251	8,672
_		19,954	19,051	38,504
	Investment income	142	55	274
	Associated companies	780	577	1,069
	Profit before taxation	20,876	19,683	39,847
	Taxation	10,875	10,274	20,785
		10,001	9,409	19,062
	Extraordinary items less taxation	. (214)	230	642
		9,787	9,639	19,704
	Minority interests	468	344	888
	American Marie 2000	9,319	9,295	18,816
	Preference dividends paid	142	142	283
	Profit attributable to the Ordinary shareholders of			
	Ranks Hovis McDougall Limited	9,177	9,153	18.533
	_			To be seen
	Earnings per Ordinary share of 25p (Note 1)	3:4p	3.3p	6.2p

- 1. Earnings per Ordinary share of 25p are based on 271.9 million Ordinary shares ranking for dividend and profit stations to the Ordinary shareholders before extraordinary items. Earnings for the year to 4 September 1976 have been reduced by the
- appropriation of £1,000,000 to reserve for pensions. The Company is not a close company under the provisions of the Farance Act 1965.

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

A turning point for property

by 1977 will become recognand the spares are wasthy of ciency, without a fair rise in the angle of the more than yesterday's votume, however, is fairly the property industry. For cursory helfpenny addition to the property industry. For cursory helfpenny addition to the rise in steel profits last time in four years con- 581p.

Woolworth has year from £1.9m to £8.3m came than the help of crite increases. gressively in favour of nand renewed confidence the sector underpins values the physical property and, ensequentially, in the property

Ar Shore's relaxation of ice Development Permit couation of Offices Bureau's sday that the Government is longer opposed to inner city
the developments clears one
lecter to new developments.

me other critical barrier is
ts. Having stabilized after a
year slide, rents for prime
ce space in London continue
se restricted by the over-hang inlet space. But if the LOB is efficient in bringing office s into the inner cities as it been in helping them to the that over-hang will not long.

Lithough LOB statistics show million sq ft of empty space Inner London and 111 lion sq ft in the GLC area, te daunting figures are put
perspective by the fact that
rere 4 per cent increase ince jobs would be sufficent to te a space famine. ts are bound to slow the

of rent growth. But the g-awaited space famine and t boom has been brought ceptibly nearer by Mr. olitical and space demand. tors are therefore moving in our of the industry, and the tical element of finence is o now becoming available in at a realistic cost. The lest flow of institutional ds analysis by stockbrokers are, Govett suggests an inw of new investible funds. E6,800m to £6,900m this respond to respond the control of th

it total will go into property pared to £1,033m last year. institutions - are showing a rked reluctance to bid prime perty yields down below the er cent mark and this, quite isonable ceution, added to the or more apparent shortage institutional quality proper-s for sale suggests a space of perty company take-overs in ler to absorb ready made

ier to absorb ready made perty portfolios.

It would be unreasonable to ect an overnight industry to boom. And there is still element in the 53,000m plus bank and shorter term in utional lending to the sector ich is secured on unrealistic to valued properties made r more unrealistic by unulated interest charges. That overhang may never be by cleared, and corporate time of the 1973 crash face prospect of renewed constraints. ly cleared, and corporate time of the 1973 crash face prospect of renewed consider in the sector with the facilities given the danthal creditors patience will inside exhausted.

finally exhausted.

levertheless, the sheer ight of institutional cash now illable, the significantly imved political and planning nate and the steady erosion the office over-supply add to a recovery in the merket bering momentum from now

oolworth alling olume

hough anything but exciting, olwerth's first quarter reolwerth's first quarter re-ts are just a shade better

a stock market expectations

the demand and supply equa- appoint: often enough in the laft for commercial space moves. Past. At the same time a sales gam of 10 per cent in the three months probably masks a volume drop slightly in excess of some of its High Surger rivals though the switch of employed in product mix here. phasis in product mix has un-doubtedly been a factor. However, the increased emphasis

ever, the increased emphasis on dry goods is still helping to point margins in the right direction, though the improvement of a meretent of a point to 3.7 per cent at the pre-tax level hardly reflects a significant recovery.

Woolworth, of course, is asging as its rivals about the short-term sales prospectingiven the pressures on disposable incomes. But retail profits growth this year is expected to come almost totally from the gap between slowing cost inflation on the one hand and continuing price inflation on the one hand and continuing price inflation on the other. And Woolworth with a Jamary wages settlement behind it and a fairly low sales to space ratio is in as good a position as any to benefit.

Woodworth shares have been a notable laggard in the recent uprating of the retailing sector and how seem to hold strong income attractions with a yield of 10.4 per cent on a same again dividend payment. Meanwhile, despite the short term gloom retail shares are strongly expected in some quarters to take off again soon on increasing assicipation of a long period of reflationary activity. If that is the case Woolworth can be expected at least to catch up with the pre-vious upward phase. First quarter: 1977-78 1976-77 Capitalization £221m

Sales £155.9m (£142m) Pre-tex profits £5.78m (£5.05m)

Speeding up Dupont is accelerating its capi-

tal spending by bringing for-ward the second stage of its South Wales electric are stage plant, now to be completed by end 1978 instead of a year later. The penalty for this rush for growth will be a gradually deteriorating belance sheet, although with net borrowings at only 36 per cent of share-holders' funds after a £6.8m cash outflow last year, this is

Yesterday's smooth placing of 8 million Mothercare shares for £21.6m is another pointer to the underlying strength of the equity market, which, with the FT Index at 477.4, is at another four year high. For one thing, despite the good figures: earlier this month the market.

More telling, however, was that the discount on the overnight price of 2949 was only 8 per cent while stockbrokers
L. Messel apparently had no trouble finding busers, indeed demand was so strong early tathe morning for the 5 million shares originally on offer that it was decided to peddle out another. 3 million to the processes however.

in the back of price increases by the BSC. Cost increases are now nibbling away at margins, but with a small increase in industrial demand beginning to show through, the market should soon be strong enough for further price rises, although gains will be small.

Demand for domestic products is still too slack to build on the rationalizations which have taken place in the beds sections and there is no loy to be had from consumer spending projections. The 80 per cent rise in engineering profits depended, to a large extent, on

depended, to a large extent, on the improved fortunes of the motor industry, which will not be so sharp this year.

Thus, with the major growth with the shares at 864p neither the yield of 7.2 per cent nor the p/e ratio of 7 at 864 hook particularly attraction the themselvent the shares at 864p neither the yield of 7.2 per cent nor the p/e ratio of 7 at 864 hook particularly attraction at the p/e attacks. p/s ratio of 7 at 86; shok par-nicularly attractive although the greater efficiency of the new plant—1,200 men are to be made redundant—could lessen the future vulnerability to the steel cycle.

Final: 1976/7 (1975/6) Capitalization £32.2m Sales £173.0m (£143.6m) Pre-tax profits £11.4m (£4.0m) Earnings per share 11.84p (£4.9m) (5.49p) Dividend gross 6.19p (5.63p)

RHM Bakery problems

Taking rationalization costs of faling rationalization costs of falin into account, Ranks Hovis McDougall's first half pre-tax profits of f20.9m were roughly in line with expectations and the shares managed to close un-changed at 474p in the face of a distinctly dreary second half inversas.

a distinctly areary second maniferecast.

The overall picture at the moment is one of steady, if unexisting, progress elsewhere in the group being overshadowed by continuing difficulties on the bakery side. Here the endless rise in tew material and other costs that cannot be recouped by price increases has eaten into margins and, as elsewhere, the bakery business is struggling to

The latest Ip rise in a stan-dard loss will come as little relief, and with the second half comparing against a stronger closing half last year RHM's forecast of a lower pre-tax total than last year's £39.8m points to real pressure on the other bakers as well, since the group will also be benefiting from a maiden film net from its United

States acquisition.

Bekery aside, RHM's milling operations have kept on an even keel despite high grain prices. The aftermath of the summer: drought has produced much im proved results from agriculture as well, while the overseas operations, albeit still modest,

operations, albeit still modest, are strengthening.

Neverdreless, the problems in the bakery division are putting lipreasing, smain on working capital which rose some £15m-£20m in the first half, and that; coupled with higher interest rates, pushed up financing charges a quarter to £54m.

Gross borrowings at the time of the United States acquisition were £141m and though these have apparently come down, net

cent yield is a good enough backstop so long as the new Price Commission does not bare its teeth too much. Interim: 1976-77 (1975-76)

Canitalization £129m Sales £560m (£442m) Pre-tax profits £20.9m (£19.7m Dividend gross 2.03p (1.85p)

Towards a sensible, long-term structure for pay bargaining

John Methyen.

Director

General of

the CBI.

to wage

During the past five years thoughts of pay can scarcely ever have been absent from the minds of government, em-ployers, unions—and newspaper editors. Yet no attempt has so far been made to take a longterm coherent look at the way we bargain about pay in the United Kingdom and why it is that this country has so often resorted to pay policies. So, before we discuss the next 12 months, I would like for once to look rather further ahead.

What sort of long-term pay bargaining structure do we want? the war Britain has been far less successful than most of our major competitors, and, more importantly, less successful than we were quite capable of being, if only we had managed being, if only we had managed our affairs more sensibly. We are today a low growth, low productivity, low earnings economy, with the highest unemployment level since the 1930s, the very reverse of what we should be—and what we still can be if we take a number of right decisions now.

One of those decisions is about the nature of our pay bargaining arrangements, which have been a major source of economic weakness in the past. The Confederation of British Industry will be publishing very shortly a major discussion document, The Future of Pay Determination, which I hope will be carefully considered not just by CBI members, but also by government, by the unions, and by the public at large; because unless the need for radical change in this most sensitive area is acknowledged, change will happen in the worst possible way, One of those decisions is pen in the worst possible way, as an unplanned ad hoc reaction to a specific emergency—as it has so often happened over the past 15 years.

What the CBI is proposing on pay determination is in essence very simple—that a strengthened system of free col-lective bargaining should take place within a framework of a much wider understanding of what can be afforded both nationally and in individual companies and industries.

Responsibility

. We are not proposing rigid norms, far less are we putting forward a corporatist solution. Under our proposals the respon-Under our proposals the responsibility for pay bargains rests where it must—firly and aquirely with the bargainers. Because of this, we believe that the Government has a critical role which it must play firmly and consistently. It is government which can alone provide the monetary discipline; it is government which either directly or at one remove can influence pay negotiations. can influence pay negotiations covering some seven million employees in the public service and the nationalized industries; and it is government which slove can ensure that movetary, fiscal and industrial policies are consistent one with another.

be enough. Employers and unions also have to examine their bargaining arrangements to bring as much stability into the system as possible. That is why we propose a reduction in the number of bargaining units, clearer distinctions about what is bargained for at industry, ompany or plant level. We stress the need for accoun-

tability by bargainers, for rati-fication procedures which help make bargains stick. We ques-

The power balance is crucial the power passing is crucial the bargains are to be mutually satisfactory and not a set of terms imposed by the strong on the weak. But the way to redress this balance is, I suggest, not drastically to weaken the unions -- in a paradoxical way they are

ger that pay settlements would he far, far higher than we can efford.

is that our inflation rate will remain higher than that of our competitors next year, with all that that means in terms of lost sales and jobs.

discusses the confederation's suggestions for a fresh approach determination in some respects too weak already. Instead, we must find ways to strengthen employers, and this will not be easy. We have also looked at the wishful thinking can change.

way strikers and their families are financially cushioned at the moment, particularly by social security payments and PAYE rebates. Certainly this area needs to be examined since was account of the security payments. are way out of line with Euro-pean practice in that we pay far more out of public funds to strikers and their families than

do other countries.

Nevertheless, we doubt if anything done in this direction would make more than a small difference, and would have to be handled carefully.

The third element in our pro-posals is the creation of a national awareness—almost a consensus—of what broadly can or cannot be afforded and the economic trade-offs in terms of jobs, investment and competitiveness. Here I believe there is a major part to be played by companies in their communication and participation policies. It is exciting to see how rapidly these are now developing within companies of all sizes, but there is always more to be done.

Research that the CBI and

others have had done shows without a doubt the benefits to the efficient running of companies of involved and committed employees. Commitment without information is neither

sensible nor possible.

As for the mechanics, the
CBI proposals envisage a CBI proposals envisage a period before the Budget when government, employers, unions, Parliament and others would discuss economic prospects and reach as broad a measure of agreement as possible on objectives and policies. This would be reflected in the Budget itself and in the main bargaining period which we suggest should be telescoped to take place in the three or four months

immediately following it.
In this way the "national consensus" would have as big lone can ensure that monetary, an impact as possible on establishing the "going rate" for onsistent one with another.

But this by itself would not of course, prevent a particular company or industry reaching any level of settlement it could afford. Telescoping the bargain-ing round would also help praleapfrogging " and would

were teapprograms and wound much that most bargains were struck against a similar economic background. If this in very broad terms is the long-term direction in which we may wish to move, what about the short term? Do we need a Very Three? Or can we need a Year Three? Or can we afford to move directly to

as the most efficient as well as the justest way to run our affairs—I think we need a fur-ther period of pay restraint. I say this for two reasons. First, our inflation rate is still two or three times the rate of our most successful competitors and we have to sell to live. Secondly, because our incomes policies have brought about so

Smith will have plenty to tell

banks Chase Manhattan has

nition includes loans to the

Bantustans and Namibia. The

He reckous that the churches'

attitude is now hardening against the view that foreign-

owned companies are a force

for good in southern Africa just

panies and those perennial

favourites, the armaments man-

ufacturers, are likely to be hearing all about it at their next

We telephoned Ward Thomas

annual general meetings.

"identifiably harmful

Even with restraint, my guess

As I see it, the arithmetic goes comething like this: on certain reasonable assumptions about the exchange rate, commodely prices and company profits, prices by the middle of 1578 will be less than 10 per cent above the level of the middle of this year, provided intal earnings increase by only about 6 per cent. If earnings go up by more than this, prices will also go up further and the level of unemployment will be higher than it otherwise would be. That is the remorseless equation which no amount of In terms of living standards means that with the Chancellor's tan concessions, the average worker will be no worse off, but he will not be able to

last year. That will have to wait until as a notion we are creating more real wealth. How we provide for some flexibility is still very much open to discussion, but I am

bound to say that the CBI has that is floating around—" kitty bargaining". This idea has been tried before in various forms and has not increased flexibi-lity. The "kirty" has been merely added to the general norm-in other words, every-one has got an equal payment.

Monitoring

I also have my doubts about productivity bargains". We need far higher productivity in British industry but I am not at all sure that "productivity bargains" are usually the best way to achieve it. If productivity agreements are to be allowed, then the productivity must be then the productivity must be monitored and only paid for after measured improvements have been made.

Whatever happens in stage three we really must stop the perennial last-minute scramble on the pay front. That is why I place the highest importance on getting agreement hefore the end of this year on the broad direction of long-term change we should take.

No one has won from the existing system—certainly not industry, certainly not the unions, certainly not the man-agers and certainly not the country as a whole. We must find a better way. Economic notebook

Keynes rides again

ments surplus for turning the thoughts of a Chancellor towards reliation. There have been many indications lately sweethat Mr Healey would like to per. give away more tax conces-sions in the autumn if only the IAIF terms let him do so. And on Tuesday at the Cb! we saw the Krynesian spirit which has been conceased beneath the

Mr Healey has adopted. For here were all the basic tenets of the demand-led growth thesis which has emerged every few years. North Sea oil will allow us to deal with our problems with less painful and sudden adjustments-in other words to keep up the level of consumption while at the same time allow-

hard monetarist exterior which

ing more investment.
Industrial investment is to expand because we are to "rup the economs at a higher level of activity and employ-ment" which in turn will give us "the assurance of steadily

us "the assurance of steadily expanding demand over a number of years".

There is no doubt that Mr Healey is trying to dtal with a real problem. We cannot expect anything remotely like s return to full employment without rapid growth for many years, and the investment needed to sustain that growth without some assurance that there will be demand for the

There is nothing quite like the output which it will bring prospect of a balance of pay- forth. But, in the process of dealing with some of the problems, the

Chancellor does seem to be sweeping others under the car-Although our trade figures

have been improving quite dramatically, the United Kingdom has a sub-tential trade offict (pussibly \$2,000m) on its non-oil account. Yes if the economy is allowed to expand, our nonoil deficit will grow as well.
Indeed, using the oil earn-

ings to cover a large deficit on the rest of our account is the only possible interpretation of what Mr Healey was falling about. Mr Healey obviously hopes that industry will become more officent over the years andurques that oil must be used to help achieve that.

If industry does not improve then it will be even mery dun-gerous to enter the late 1980s with oil running our, a deficit on our non-oil account at a on our non-oil account at a high level and the need to cut back on living standards. The Chance'line clearly sees the need to avoid that latter possibility. But it is difficult to know what, apart from constant

invocations of the virtues of government essistance to the iron foundry industry, he sees as providing the means of

David Blake

The productivity dilemma

Britain's high unemployment is naturally a cause for concern. However, it is in one sense worryingly low. For the present level of employment in Britain is remarkably high in relation to output, and that is just another way of saying that pro-ductivity is low.

Improved living standards depend in the long term on

increases in productivity. At the heart of the debate over how to spend the North Sea oil riches is the fear that unless they are somehow used to boost productivity in British industry the increased consumption which they allow will be shortlived. It is as yet too soon to know whether the breakdown in the past relationships of output and employment is a temporary

phenomenon, caused by the severity of the past recession, or if there has been a shift in the trend of productivity growth. Employment, both in manufacturing industry and in the economy as a whole, fell quits steeply during the recession, but so great was the drop in output that productivity slumped by more than 31 per cent from its peak in 1973.

Attention

In previous cycles the climb out of recession has been accompanied by fast product-ivity growth, as the underlying growth in productive potential which continued during reces-sion allowed a "catching up" in productivity when recovery

up from the trough of the re-cession in the middle of 1975 was greater than usual. But it

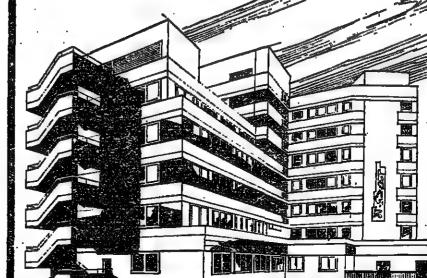
Since then output has risea at a snail's pace: official fig-ures this week showed that manufacturing production in the manufacturing production in the first quarter of this year was less than 31 per cent up on a year ago. Employment in manufacturing has meanwhile risen by about 1 per cent.

Underlying changes in productivity will be easier to decipher as output continues to

pher as output continues to grow. If measured productivity recovers, the outlook for employment for several years to come is grimmer than has yet been admitted. If it does not, there will not be much room for increased real wages without a loss of competitiveness.

Caroline Atkinson

all Managing Directors! tion whether either employers or unions are always fully a much freer system? have apparently come down, net assets of £194m mean that RHM Very reluctantly-because I equipped to bargain successfully; and we are concerned at personally am a passionate believer in the market economy is still-nervous about the stores needs to keep its capital struc-ture under review. Meanwhile sector generally. More telling, however, was he balance of power, which or a variety of reasons has hifted fundamentally in favour bakery groups have started to underperform but a safe 10 per of organized labour.



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Business Diary: Hedley, Harry & John • BSA's Stow-

d Greenborough can never his diplomacy and the directee whether he is to be called ness of the new Directorgeneral, John Methyen, should out through a lot of that. et whether he'is to be called n but doesn't mind Harrylong as it's not Hedley. ither way, there can not be Populist ay people who would discrete Ralph Stow, the menaging ee with the view that Green Ralph Stow, the menaging director of the Chekeniam and Raiking Society l deputy chairman of Shell is a fine choice as suc-or to Lord Warkinson as e comes to the CBL with a rough grounding in the 's work and, if unlike Lord tkinson he has never acrubeen in politics, he has n near enough to develop ure footing. He is known respected in Whitehall

in Westminster. As chair-of the United Kingdom Industry Emergency Comee, reactivated to advise itehall and keep essential running Heath's during three day L, his was one of the few less stories of that lamene was by then already at

top of his own industry high in the wigwams of the He joined the council of confederation in 1971, subently sitting on the econopolicy and then the finance mittees. here, curiously enough for ormer Minister of Defence;

pepperv Lord Watkinson ned at his happiest on the c trained with the Ameri-as a pilot during the war

Giorcester Burning with was yesterday elected chairman of the Building Societies Association is a very from his pre-Stow is an active, some would

say agressive, protagonist of the building society movement —a word, which he personally denrecates. He prefers to refer to building societies as an "industry." believing that commercial realism has its place slumgide the social obligations alongside the social obligations felt by and expected of building societies.

Although Potter came armed with the highest credentials forleadership of the building societies—friendship with the Chancellor of the Exchequer not least among them—his term of office has had but a muted impact on the problems of the societies and on their relation-

societies and on their relationship with the government.

His shy, intellectual style has not been to the liking of all building society men. It is unfortuate that the last few months of his term of office have seen some of the worst publicity for building societies for many a long time as rates have stayed up, and lending policies in city centres have been attacked.

Stow, on the other hand, is t he described as "the Stow, on the other hand, is plane with its own built a populist. Whether he can readwind". Much the same turn the tables on building



"Your father's very tired. He's just worked out a formula for phase three.'

society critics remains to be but his incisive manner blunt approach—he is pored for giving direct answers direct questions—should result in some sharp inter-changes between himself and the movement's sorry, industry's-detractors.

Arabesque: what stage it marks in the transformation of London, we're not quite sure, but yesterday we saw Arabic grafiti on a wall in the capital for the first time. Perhaps better left untranslated, it was in an Underground station— Bond Street, naturally.

Holy orders Midland and Barclays are not the only banks to have run into over lending to South Africa. by being there, and that demands for not only an end to new investment, but perhaps even for withdrawal, may result. The banks, the oil com-Tim Smith, of the portentously named Interface Center for Corporate Responsibility, an American body needless to sav, was passing through London yesterday to tell a conference at the weekend at Driebergen, Holland, of the United States churches' attempts to curtail company activities in southern

The conference, sponsored by the Christian Council of The Netherlands, is to be attended

the chairman of Trident Television, yesterday to discuss the arrival on the board of Kerry Packer, the Australian publisher by church delegates from every
EEC country, as well as by a
large contingent from southern
Africa.

Durch church people have already succeeded in persuading
Description of the distribution of the england cricket team. Found ourselves with a crossed line and ended up listening to a Post Office commercial for the dial-

two banks, Amsterdam-Rotter acricket-score service.

hopes also played a part in Associated Newspapers' 7p jump to 190p on a papers pitch which had United Newspapers

10p to the good at 285p, but saw Reed under some selling pres-

sure at 220p, down 3p. S & W

Berisford was another specula-tively wanted and ended the session 13p ahead at 222p.

In textiles there was some

support for Courtaulds, up 4p

was not far behind, rising 5p to

BTR was a strong 250p, up 7p. Further reflection on figures helped General Accident to put

on 8p to 199p and Furness Withy 4p to 293p. Results had McNeill off 8p to 35p, but Redman Heenan 1p to 52p and

Minty 5p to 75p went the other

way after statements. In pro-

perties, figures had Land Investors up 6p to 106p.

Investors up 6p to 106p.

Equity turnover on May 17 was £72.20m (18,465 bargains). According to Exchange Telegraph active stocks yesterday were ICI, Shell, BAT Dfd, Commercial Union, Reyrolle, Burmah, GKN, BSG International, Rank, Trafalgar House, BP, P & O, BAT Ind, Beecham, Furness Withy, Dayy International, Withy, Dayy International Research

Furness Withy, Davy Inter-national, Associated Newspapers

Redman H'n

leaps 142 pc

With a 43 per cent jump in second-half profits to £565,000 behind it Redman Heenan In-

ternational has started the current year in fine style.

A 142 per coot jump took pre-tax profits in the half year to March 31 to £1.07m. Turnover

of this Worcester-based specia-

Prospering

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Investors return on Healey optimism and calls for £4.7m cash

view of economic prospects brought the big investors back into the arena and share prices quickly went to another four-

There was a spell around lunchtime when prices seemed spot at 361p, up 11p. to be boiling over, but unconfirmed reports of another North Sea strike by BP-one of the main planks of Mr Healey's optimism-brought renewed

Mounting hopes of another cut in the Minimum Lending Rate and demand for the next account, which lasts for three weeks, also helped to push shares along and the FT Index

closed 9.2 up at 477.4, its best level of the day.
Gilt-eaged stocks made the running in early trading and

Thomas Borthwick has just turned in encouraging interim figures (sales and profits up 77 per cent) and thoughts are now turning towards J. E. Sanger in the import, export and wholethe import, export and wholesaling of meat and meat products. The group reports in
July on the year to last March
and profits could have risen
from £1.5m to around £1.7m,
The first half year was good.
The shares at 45p yield a useful
14.8 per cent.

many long dates quickly rose by up to three-quarters of a point. Later, money market signals indicating caution on interest rates clipped many prices back and by the close rises were in the three-eighths to one half range.

"Shorts" ended the session little changed or just a shade

harder.
In the engineering sector investors were attracted by Davy International's big Russian order and the shares jumped 12p to 228p on a lively demand. John Brown was again helped by favourable com-

Good start

for Taylor

Woodrow

Mr R. G. Puttick, chairman Taylor Woodrow, the inter-

as made an encouraging start

national construction group, says in his annual report that it

to this year.

The Queen's Award to Industry, received by Taylor Woodrow reflects the substantial

amount of oversess business carried out by the group in

The chairman adds that of the £20.9m in pre-tax profits, £14m came from overseas. This

represented an incresse of 42 per cent on 1975 and a record for the sixteenth year running.

The chairman also mentioned the diversifications into special-

ist operations as having helped to hold Taylor Woodrow in

good stead wirile the construc-

tion industry in Britain goes through one of the worst and

panies have attacked the Labour Party's proposals for national

zing some companies in the

industry.

Speaking at his last annual meeting before retiring, Lord Harcourt, chairman of Legal and General, Britain's second

largest life assurance group, confirmed the industry's inten-

tion of killing the idea of public ownership of insurers. But he saw as the most urgent problem the alternative proposal

that there should be some direction by Government in the in-vestment of insurance company

Glynwed was well supported at 120p, better by 5p. For the second day running Braithwaite attracted support, rising another 8p to 248p, and among the majors GKN was a firm

Over in electricals Chloride gained 4p to 119p in spite of its labour problems and Reyrolle Parsons took a day off from worrying about the implications of Drax and rose 14p to 207p on the back of better overseas order book. GEC, another involved in Drax, firmed 4p to 188p after other contract news and there were also strong performances from Plessey up 6p to 90p and EMI where the gain was 8p to 246p.

An acquisition did nothing for Zetters at 25p and Trident TV added 1p to 47p after a purchase, rights issue and dividend forecast. The major feature in the stores sector was the Zikha family's disposal of around 8 million shares in Mothercare

front of the annual meeting.
Hoping for better terms
transport group Lyon & Lyon
rose 5p to 63p while speculative
interest helped Savoy 'A' to
close 5p ahead at 62p. Profit taking after the Lourho terms hit AVP, which lost 4p to 125p; MK Refrigeration shot up 8p to 120p on bid hopes and Laurence Scott, though unchanged at 128p, were actively traded in the hope of getting further news in the near

The shares are now in institu-tional hands. Woolworth's first-

quarter figures made little

impact on the shares at 581p

but bid speculation cominue

to help House of Fraser which ended 2p firmer at 128p.

Interim figures also made little impact on Ranks Hovis McDougall at 47 p but Reckitt

& Colman put on 5p to 427p in

Though BP were cop about reports of a strike in block 3/29, a joint venture with Iran, it could be good news for Siebens Oil. The group has 95 per cent of block A/Ts immediately to the west and 47 per cent of 9/4 to the south. Both are regarded as having strong natural gas potential. Siebens shares rose 9p to 142p. The BP reports helped the share to rise 14p to 960p after a couple of pence better than that while Shell added 11p to 549p in sympathy, as did Ultramar, up 6p to 194p. North Sea

Latest dividends

Company (and par value)	Ord Ord	Vear ago	Pay	Year's total	Prev year
Andre Silentbloc (10p) Int Chamberlin & Hill (5p) F	1.5 in 1.34	0.7 1.22	1/7	2.44	1.76 2.22
Concentric (10p) Int	0.85*	0.7	1/7	-	2.14
J. A. Devenish (25p) Int	2,0	1.62	14/7		5.27
Duport (25p) Fin	2.39	2.17	21/6	4.02	3.65
Fashion & Gen Inv (Sp) Fin		2.43	21/6	4.42	4.02
J. Folkes Hero (5p) Fin	0.86	0.78	8/8	1.22	1,11
Hambros Inv (25p) Fin	1.85	3.85 '	30/7	3.25}	4.25#
G. & G. Kynoch (25p) Int	NA	1.0	-	_	1.5
Land Investors (25p) Int	0.4	0.4	11/7	÷	1/6
Loudon Pru Inv (25p) Fin	1.5	1.16	21/7	2.4	2.0
London Trust (25p) Fin	4.75	3.5	8,7	7.0	5.5
Newman Inds (25p) Fin	1.91	1.68**	_	3.16	2.08**
Nthn Amer Trust (25p) Int	1.0	0.7	1/7	_	2.45
Ranks Hovis (25p) Int	1.32	1.2	18/7	_	2,94
Readicut Int (5p) Fin	0,99	0.79	_	1.42	1.13
Red Heenan Int (10p) Int	0.81	0.65	3/10		1.65
Southend Stadium (5p) Fin	0.31	0,28	W-700	0.31	0.28
Trident TV (10p) Int	0.84	0.7	6/9	<u></u>	2.32
McNelli Group (25p) Fin	1.6	1.93	_	2,65	2.85 _.
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Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.54. * To reduce disparity between payments. † On increased capital. ‡ Excludes special dividend of 3p per share. ** Adjusted for scrip issue

Bid target Reliant

stems its losses

Asking for a share suspension at 6 p yesterday, Reliant Motor confirmed last Monday's

confirmed last Monday's announcement that it was holding talks which might lead to a

Shareholders, who include the

Standard Chartered Bank, through Hodge Group, with 77

per cent of the equity, have already been warned that the bid is likely to come at a lower

price than prevailing Stock Exchange valuations. The February 1976 balance sheet show net assets of 5.5p per

The warning has naturally, dampened speculation in the shares but the results for the

year to end-February last indicate that Reliant, the "Robin", "Scimitar" and

"Kitten" motor manufacturer.

has stemmed recent losses and

can only offer an uncompetitive

can only ofter an uncompetitive return or a high risk of loss. However, Mr J. E. H. Collins, chairman of Guardiau Royal Exchange Assurance, tells shareholders that, as far as nationalization goes, "the

chances of any developments in

By Ray Maughan

share.

most prolonged recessions in has started along the road to

By Our Financial Staff it implies the likelihood that
The chairmen of two of funds would be compulsorily
Britain's biggest insurance comdiverted into companies which

'Leave our money alone'

insurance chiefs say

Trident expanding outside TV

By Victor Felstead A £4.7m rights issue spiced by a big rise in half-time profits a forecast of record figures, full year is the package from Trident Television. It was formed in 1970 through the merger of Yorkshire Television

and Tyne Tees Television. and Type I ees I eversion.

Terms of the issue of 13 97m shares are two "A" non-voting ordinary shares for every five ordinary and/or "A" nonvoting ordinaries at 35p a share. The issue has been underwritten by Kleinwort, Benson.
In the half-year to March 31,

support for Contraints, ap 4p to 131p, and Readicut rirmed a point to 29p after results. The best of the industrial leaders were BAT Industries 9p to 302p and ICI 9p to 407p. Those 6p ahead included Beecham at 498p, Fisons at 370p and Unilever at 486p, while Glaxo turnover rose from £22.31m to £30.12m and pre-tax profits from £2.32m to £3.6m. The board forecasts pre-tax profits for the full year of "not less than £6.75m", compared with the previous year's record

this year's interim dividend.

expand outside television con-tracting—indeed. Trident re-vealed that it intends to buy

The new shares will rank for This goes up from 1.08p gross to 1.3p. In addition, the board predicts a final of 2.98p on the

bigger capital, compared with 2.48p last year. On this basis, the total for the year would be 4.28p gross—an increase of about 20 per cent over 1975-76. If the rate of ACT is reduced, a small, additional payment will be made. The Treasury has given permission.

Trident is traling at a highly profitable level and is in a strong financial position ", the board declared yesterday. However, this current season-ally strong liquidity will be reduced following payment of outstanding corporation tax, the Exchequer levy and repayment of the unsecured loan stock on May 31.
The board still intends to

St Leonard's Development (Windsor), which runs the Windsor Safari Park, for £1.5m So, the board considers that the time is right to raise addi-tional capital to finance growth



Mr G. E. Ward Thomas, chair-man of Trident Television.

Not simply broking in stout Stenhouse

The news of higher tea prices did little for Brooke Bond, just a penny firmer at 50 p, but BTR was a strong 250n mm.7 To lap it record 1975-76 broking went up from £5.13m results comes news of further to £7.05m. headway at Stenhouse Holdings, the Glasgow-based group in in-surance broking, jewellry, engineering, timber and hosiery. In the half-year to March 31, ests are represented by its pre-tax profits rose from 54.47 per cent stake in Reed 22.98m to £4.34m. In the pre-Shaw Osler, ceding 12 months they reached With Stenhouse's share of the peak £7.42m.

On the insurance broking side, commission and fees earned, net, climbed from £24.14m to £34.31m. But operating expenses also rose, from £19.69m to £28.44m. So the surplus was £5.87m, against £4.44m. After adding interest, etc, up from £748,000 to £1.38m and deducting other items of £210,000, against £61,000, pretax profits from insurance aging.

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A reputation for causion when business goes well is no bad thing, and his last year as chairman of Readicur International, Mr Frank Newhouse steadfastly stood by the view that pre-tax profits in the year to March 31 would beat the £5.6m of 1975-76. This telciturnity now allows Mr Paul Croset, the new chairman to report pre-tax profits of a thumping £7.22m, easily the best yet. Sales climbed from £48.6m to £67.7m.

So the group menaged to hoist sales by 39 per cent and profits by 29 per cent. At helf time Readicut's sales were 44 per cent shead and the profits

Readicut in strong

finish to fine year

However, of these pre-tax profits, only 54.47 per cent was attributable to Steuhouse. This

group's insurance broking inter-

with Stenhouse's share of the pre-tax profits of £3.84m compared with £2.79m, added to industrial profits of £815,000, against £628,000, group operating profits climbed from £3.42m to £4.65m. After holding company finance and other costs. pany finance and other costs, pre-tax profits of Stenhouse were £4.34m, against £2.98m. The board reports that in jewellry and engineering immediate prospects are encour-

The group sells rug making kits and indeed is the world's leader. It also makes rugs, spins woollen yarn, dyes and finishes,

and distributes lots abroad. It seems to have bought its wool shrewdly and kapt margins

The first half figures were also held back by the inclusion of sales of £3m and losses from

newcomer Plasticisers. The hope was ther the newcomer would pull round and the turnround in the second six mosths was

The sale of rug kits made £1.7m of the £7.4m profit before tax and loan interest, rexrite making contributed £1.64m and

the overseas division £1.76m.

apparently sharp.

several cos

The immediate retort from the BTR camp was that the dividend promised by the Silent-bloc board is "insecure—the cover is imprudently low". The BTR warning that it will sell its 26.4 per tent stake in Silentbloc if the bld fails has been met however with equanimity by the Silentbloc board. Silentbloc board,

It advisors at Barclays Merchant Bank are prepared to place the shares or to consider other offers should the price be right if the stake is passed on wholesale. Several other companies, Mr Ball suggested yesterday, are interested.

interested

an interim record.

per share. However, given same again second half earnings, the dividend would be 1.8 times

The board, headed by Mr Christopher Whitehorn, said yesterday that it regards this level of dividend as "fully war-ranted by the current profits levels and is also a mark, of confidence in the future."

Silentbloc dividend up:

Andre Silenthloc, the antivibration equipment and industrial rubber products group fighting the bid from BTR, lifted profits by a little over 31 per cent in the six months ended April 3 last to £527,000.

Implicit in the dividend fore-cast for the full year is a promise of continued profits growth. The total payment is to be raised from 2.7p to 5p gross

BTR withdrew its promise that acceptors of the ope-forfour share alternative worth 621p per share would have the double benefit of receiving the Silentbloc interim dividend as well as the increased BTR divi-

over five years. Net profits of Empire for the year to July 31 reaches 2207,000 before tex. Of this 554,000 was investment income Empire Competitions brough in £10,000 over its year of August 10. On completion, two impirifications will join Zeviers' subdictions. They are Mr. Michael and the profits of t sidiaries. They are Mr Michae Edwards who will join Zetter International Pools, and M Alan Edwards who goes to the Metagraph printing company Concentric

Zetters buy

Empire and

corners low

stake marke

For £1.5m Zetters Group agreed to buy Empire Pe Included in the purchase: Empire Competitions, wh

has a 3 per cent share in Pools Promoters Associate

partnership witch opera

and Publishmise, a print

group.
Zetters took over Co

Pools lass year and the a deal will give the group enhanced influence and reption in the pools industry board says.

With current combined gr

stakes running at more the filam a year, the enlarge group will account for all the entire low-stake market

The acquisition will also he

mies of scale.

The price agreed for Cog last September was £586.0 and rhe purchase put Zetu into a "very good position to face 1977.

In November, Mr P. Zet the chairman of this bings a pools group, said that

pools group, said that treturns following the Cor-

purchase had exceeded expec

The purchase of Empi depends on two things. T

first is a reduction of cap; gains tax on the properties, so to the vectors, estimated £25,000. The second is a var-

tion depending on the net corrent assets of the company

completion, compared wi

E663,000. Net tangable asets of Emploral E1.06m, of which E550.00

The acquisition is being the financed from the group's on cash resources and a loan from bankers. The loan is repayable

over five years.

mies of scale.

to pay more to pools winne.
The collector service will better and there will be eco.

spot on By Richard Allen Disputes at British Leyland and Massey Ferguson took some of the steam out of Concentric pumps business in the summing to March 25.

Even so interim pre-u profits are bang on target £1.19m an increase of aroun a third on the previous period £905,000: The Midland engineering con glomerate's results wer

buoyed up by stronger than e pected performances from the three main controls companie Concentric is now confider that the second half will sho that the second half will sho similar progress and that for cast profits of £2.5m will 1 attained. These would compail with last year's pre-tax total cast in the interim payment goes of from 1.08p to 1.31p—mainly treduce the gap with the final and the group is forecasting maximum increase in total payment.

maximum increase in total paraments to 3.63p for the full year Sales during the period 1 creased 31 per cent to £15.7t compared with a full year's for £24.3m last time.

Much of this increase can from the assets taken over ito Evered Controls. These sal have already produced a st ficient contribution to the gro-to cover the costs of integration Having broken even in the first half-year the Evered acqu sition is now expected to sta contributing to profits in the second half.

Meanwhile after a period looking towards a period internally generated growth.

Following the sale of a b interest in the group by S, I Wood Group earlier this ye income from exports of barytes.

RAKUSEN GROUP

Ministry has confirmed purchase notice served by company on its premises.

Of takeover rumours have sided. Concentric's only may shareholders at present are it NCB pension fund with 9.9 pc cent and Britannic with 1 over 9.3 per cent.

A bigger Folkes Hefo just keeps moving

Newman set for leap as Lonrho

sells its stake The most severe recession for many years has hit the traditional business of Newman Industries—the manufacture of industrial electric motors. Sales in 1975 rose 10.6 per cent, but pre-tax profits fell 13 per cent to £1.7m.

Pre-tax profits for the year

amounted to £360,000 against losses of £899,000 the year

before. At the halfway stage, Reliant was £352,000 in the red but, with one exception, the

three engineering subsidiaries had performed well.

The exception, glass fibre crew cabs maker, Hodkinson

Bennis underwent a major

reorganization and the ensuing

on three wheel vehicles.

companies.

The board points out, however, that the new activities helped to offset the slump in electric motors, and the group has thus completed a success ful transition to a multi-product, multi-market organization.

this field are remote.

But, he continues, the very fact that this suggestion has been put to, and received support at, a Labour party conference damages our image overseas-we trust only tempora-As a direct result of acquisi-tions and with some improve tion by Government in the investment of insurance company money.

He argued: "The strongest London Insurance heard that and perhaps the most easily understood argument against direction of investment is that the end of the first quarter was direction of investment is that the end of the first quarter was direction by Government in the economy, the targets for the economy, the targets for the current year are sales of £45m, and pre-tax the end of the first quarter was direction of investment is that the end of the first quarter was direction of investment in the investment of insurance company the economy, the economy the economy the economy are said with some improvement in the economy, the economy that the economy the economy are said with some improvement in the economy.

list engineering group rose 36 per cent to £15.5m, widening margins from 3.86 per cent to 6.8 per cent. Net profits soured from £386,000 to £873,000. deficit wiped out the profits from the remaining engineering The board is raising the dividend from Ip to 125p gross. A maximum payment is forecast for the full year.

The board modestly adds that The motor division was held up by the delays in building up "Scimitar" production and the

HP restrictions lifted last July The board modestly adds that prospects for the rest of the year are "not discouraging" and the results for the year as a whole should show a further improvement on last year. Then the group pushed its profits up from £518,000 to a record £916,000.

Time Readicur's sales were 44 prospects are viewed with optimism.

Prospects are viewed with optimism.

The dividend rises by the 25 per cent promised Just under a year ago with a right issue that the right to recalve Silembler's average with a right issue that the right to recalve Silembler's continue of the results for the year as a whole should show a further improvement on last year. Then the group pushed its profits up from £518,000 to a record £916,000. The group's wide base offers plenty of scope for a variety of bidders. Suggestions that Guest Keen & Nettlefolds might want to add Reliant to its plastic panels division, however, have been roundly rejected.

Stourbridge-based John Folkes Hefo edged forward by 5 per

*5*67.7m.

Engineering's share went up from £3.77m to £3.82m, but merchaoting's was virtually unchanged at £390,000. Housing's loss fell from £146,000 to £9,000. The gross payment rises from 1.7p to 1.87p, and is covered 3.7 times just as in 1975. Net assets (excluding goodwill) a 5p share climbed by 39 per cent

Sprinting Spink

cent last year to £4,2m.

E C Cases

At the request of the board of E. C. Cases, Lloyds Bank has been appointed a receiver for been appointed a receiver for E. C.'s subsidiary, Multyflex (IMC). This reflects continued adverse trading in the first four months of 1977. However, S.C. believes that the provision which will have to be made in respect of Multyflex will not exceed £1m. So the value of the shareholders' equity, said to be £1.32m on May 6, will be reduced to about £550,000.

A "most encouraging," start to this year has been made by Spink & Son, the fine art and antique dealer which also deals in coins and medals. After hoisning pre-tax profits from f539,000 to 5605,000 last year and paying a maximum dividend all departments continue to grow. In his annual statement Trust rose from f1.17m to f1.48m. A total gross dividend of 5p is being paid on bigger capital, compared with Special mention to the Oriental Department which has broken reduced to about 1530,000 in the poart says that a small trading profit is likely for the year to March 1978.

Two big investment trusts have reported increased revenue. In the year to March 1978.

G& G Kynoch Owith turnover at G. & G. Kynoch of the half-year rose from 1548,000 for the half-year rose dividend of 5p is being paid on bigger capital, compared with 6.53p on smaller capital. In addition, there was also a six of the year to March 1978.

On turnover up from £53.36m new ground in its exhibition of special payment of £61p for the The board reports that sales to £55.51m, the profits before Persian and Islamic Art. It now previous year recently have been better and loan stock interest and tax of covers the greater part of the Also in the year to March 31. Special payment of London Trust quarter profit, but the present full profits that the present full profits the present full profits that the present full profits the profits that sales to £53.51m, the profits before Persian and Islamic Art. It now previous year. rose from £2.15m to £2.45m. The

G Sturla hopeful

indications are that the fourth quarter will be less favourable. total gross payment goes up from 8.460 to 10.780.

Silvermines peak Thanks to a big increase in

On turnover down from the contribution from Mogul of £1.72m to £1m, George Sturla & Ireland, Dublin-based SilverSon bas reduced its pre-tax loss for the year to July 31, 1976, strom £425,000 to £342,000. After an extraordinary debit of £242,000 to £338,000, while £131,000 against a credit of Silvermines 25 per cent share 2565,000 at the attributable level from £618,000 to £1.16m. The the £471,000. Things are looking result is that pre-tax profits. to £471,000. Things are looking result is that pre-tax profits up, however, and the board says rose from £860,000 to £1.5m, more than recouping the pre-vious year's serback. The total net dividend is lifted from 3p to 3.5p. Mogud's profits were up because of higher metal prices and operating results mainly because of better royalty income from exports of

possible exchange rate changes.
Net group profit was 741m
francs last year.

M Martin said that first-half
1977 results confirmed trends
apparent at end of 1976, includ-

activity outside France than He said that at present the group's glassmaking and glass-packaging insulation and en-gineering divisions were doing well. But the cement, asbestos, paper and pipe-laying divisions were still depressed.—Reuter.

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the European building industry and a more satisfactory level of

Veba cuts losses Veba-Chemie AG, the West Rhome-Poulenc SA, a major German energy concern, cut ins French chemical and textile

Oerlikon-Büchrle Holding AG,

dealers in a wide range of engineering products including military equipment, says its one-for-five rights issue will be priced at 400 per cent of nominal to caise 184m Swiss francs (about £40.8m) of new cash. The company said it also proposes to issue a further 4m Swiss francs nominal new shares to a special foundation which will sell them at a 20 to 30 per ceut discount on the bourse price to employees as part of a new participation

Rhone-Poulenc

Paris, May 18.—Saint-Gobain net loss to DM9m (about £2m) in 1976, compared with DM62m in 1976, compared with DM62m in 1975. Sales rose to DM9,600m (about £5,700m) from 21,700m from DM5,200m. This largely in 1976 between now end industry, expects its sales this reflected consolidation of 1980, according to a report by chemical activities of the Gelastronam, reports.

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The James Irvine foundation, of Los Angeles, majority owner of Irvine Co, the real estate group, said that only the cash part of Taubman-Allen-Irvine's new proposal to acquire Irvine will be recognized in the continuing bidding contest to buy the group. The Taubmain group's new cash offer yesterday was \$328.2m (about £133m). It also offered \$50m in sphericagnered income delegasubordinated income deben-

Sutton & Wrexham water heavily oversubscribed The recent offers for sale by

tender of the Sutton District and the Wrezham and East Den-bighabire water companies have been successful. Sutron's offer of £1m 8½ per cent redeemable preference stock, 1982, attracted applications for £3.71m of stock. The lowest price to receive a partial allotment was £102.91 and the average price, £103.51. Wrexham's offer of £1.25m 83 per cent redeemable preference stock, 1982, estimated applica-tions for £3.92m of stock. The lowest price to receive a partial adotment was £102.91 and the average £103.40. Dealings in both stocks start today.

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Chairman, Sir Edgar Beck, says in his annual statement, that the order book remains satisfactory both at home and overseas, where minover should increase in the many was He looks iforward. current year. He looks forward to another good year.

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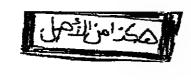
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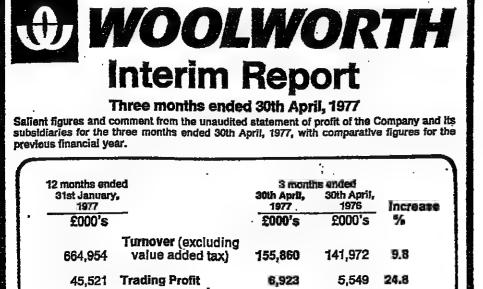
Turnover of Kwik-Fir (Tyres Exhausts) Holdings for year February 28, £7.91m again (£5.58m). Pre-fax profit up for £321,000 to £514,000. Total grayment, 2.69p (1.92p). OFFICE AND ELECTRONIC

Mr Erich Markus, chairman, & demand should be good this ye but profit may not rise as fast sales. Group also concentrating filling new posts with young

G. M. FIRTH (METALS) Chairman told anstal meeting is booking for a considerable improvement in grading conditions for £725,000 (book valuated Kingdom stiff flat, But first before Christmas, and believes that 1978 will be a good year for great on building a factory steady improvement.



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The sales increase of just under 10% reflects the depressed state of consumer spending in our area of the retail market and conditions to date have not been favourable to our epring merchandise programme. We can see no immediate prospect of an upturn in sales. I On the other hand, the profit result has been influenced by trading margins which have the benefit of the change in our merchandise mix; additionally, profits show the effect of improvements in systems and economies of operation.

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Foreign Exchange

Foreign exchange markets spent another extremely quiet session resilenday ahead of the amenal Forex conference and inday's Amendom Day Chisure of Several Continental centres. The pound barely sturred throughout, closing four points easier against the dollar at \$1.7185. The effective exchange rate fell 0.1 to 61.6 per cent.

cent.

The dollar lost a little ground The dollar lost a little ground as Continental currencies generally took a slightly firmer like in front of the Forex meeting, where talks on the future of the "sakke" were expected. There has been mach speculation recently about a realignment of the D-mark and the Dutch guilder within the joint float.

German marks hardened from 2.3285 to 2.3265 against the dollar, while Swiss firmers rose from 2.5205 to 2.5195, and Dutch guilders appreciated from 2.4550 to 2.4500. French francs gained from 4.9325 to 4.9495.

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Discount market

The Bank of England gave help on a moderate scale to the discount houses yesterday and directed this assistance entirely. New York, May 18.-Stock via lending. It took advantage of this slight shortage to put the houses "in the bank" for 7 days at MLR for a small sum as a signal that it wished for continued restraint at the Treasury bill tender this week. For technical reasons, the same three or four houses were given small overnight lending, also at MLR 18 per cent

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Wall Street

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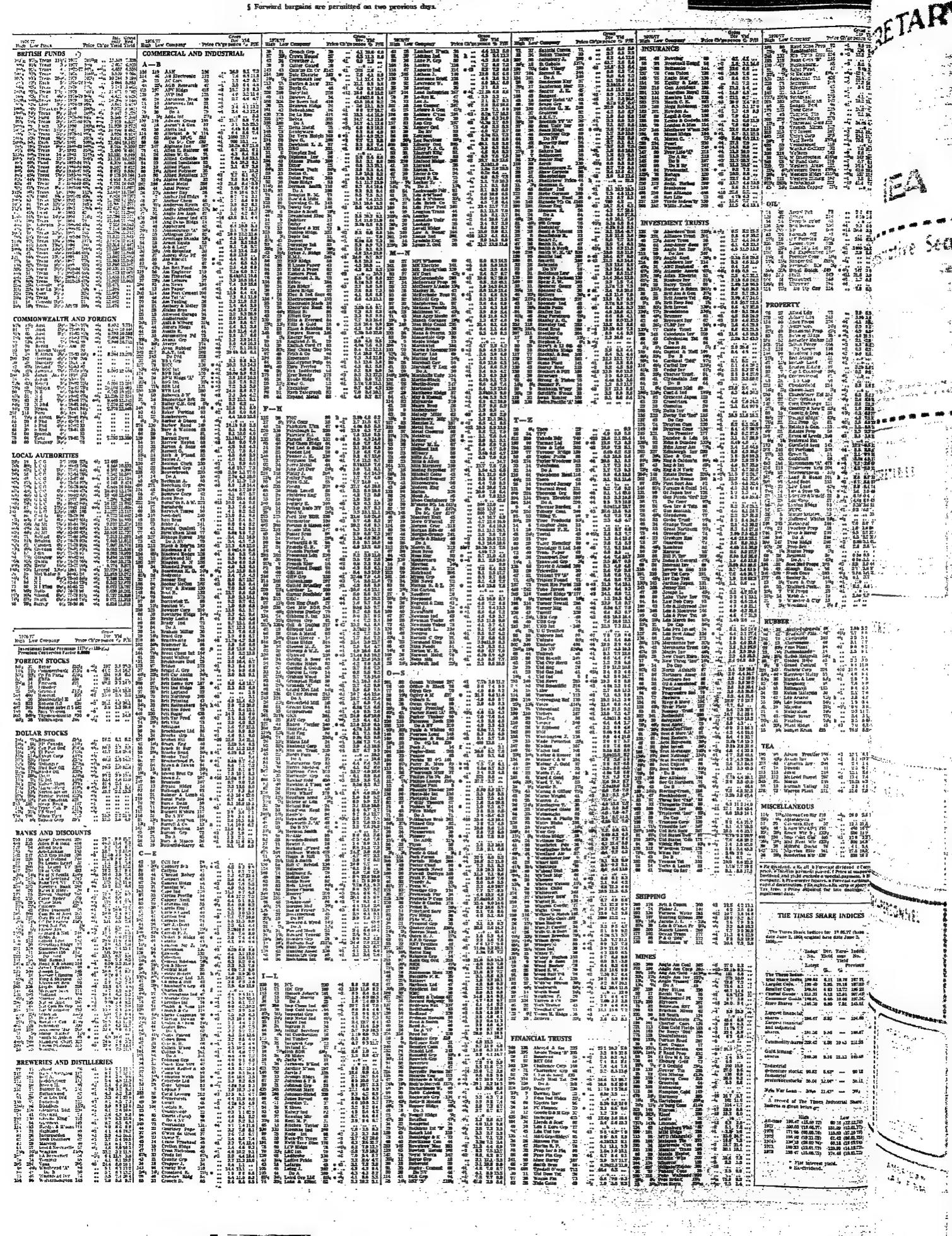
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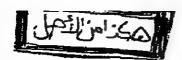
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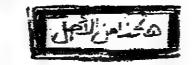
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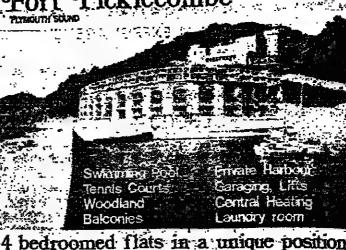
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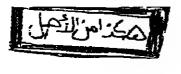
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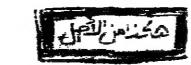
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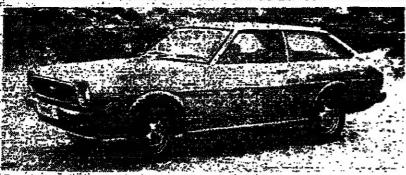
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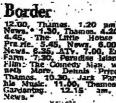
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This Week.
News.
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Epilogue. 7.35 Newsday.

8.00 Ealing Cinema:

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8.10, Dead of Night, with 9.30
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10.25 See Tales: A Bucket of Fish and a Whistle.

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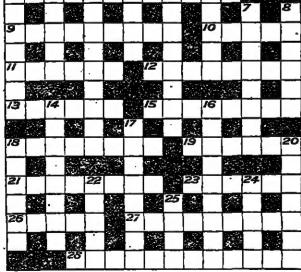
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5 Decade cracked up by Einstein (8).

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